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April 23, 2013

Ms. Nancy Lewis
Acting Associate Administrator for Enforcement
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY
ADMINISTRATION
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

**Re: Recall Notification
2011-2013 Setra S417 & S407 motorcoaches**

Dear Ms. Lewis:

On April 12, 2013 EvoBus GmbH determine a safety defect existed in certain 2011~2013 S417 and 2012~2013 S407 and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

573.6(c)(1)

Name of manufacturer: EvoBus GmbH, Neu-Ulm, Germany

Manufacturer's designated importer and sales agent: Fred Miranda
Motor Coach Industries, Inc.
7001 Universal Coach Drive
Louisville, KY 40258
Phone: 502-318-3054

Manufacturer's regulatory agent: Bill Nicolle
WPN Services (on behalf of Daimler Buses North America)
350 Hazelhurst Road
Mississauga, Ontario, Canada. L5J 4T8.
Telephone: (416)624-3558

573.6(c)(2)

Identification of potentially affected vehicles:

<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>VIN Range/Dates of Manufacture</u>
Setra S417 TC	Model year 2011	WKKA57PH293000001 / May 2009 up to WKKA57PH5B3010009 / Sep 2010 and

Setra S417 TC	Model year 2012	WKKA57PH3B3010011 / Oct 2010 up to WKKA57PH7B3010030 / Nov 2010 and WKKA57PH0B3010032 / Feb 2011 up to WKKA57PH8B3010070 / May 2011; WKKA57PH8C3010071 / Jul 2011 up to WKKA57PH3C3010091 / Nov 2011 and WKKA57PH7C3010093 / Dec 2011 up to WKKA57PHXC3010119 / May 2012; WKKA57PH4D3010120 / Jun 2012 up to WKKA57PH3D3010156 / Mar 2013
Setra S417 TC	Model year 2013	
Setra S407	Model year 2012	WKKA40PH8C3050001 / Aug 2010 up to WKKA40PH2C3050009 / Mar 2011 and WKKA40PH2C3050012 / Jun 2011 up to WKKA40PH4C3050058 / Nov 2011; WKKA40PH4D3050059 / Jun 2012 up to WKKA40PHXD3050079 / Mar 2013
Setra S407	Model year 2013	

Description of the basis for the determination of the recall population:

The recall population was based on manufacturing records. The VIN range reflects all possible vehicles that could potentially experience the problem.

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Total number of potentially affected vehicles: 234

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Percentage of affected vehicles that contain the defect: Approx. >90%

573.6(c)(5)

Defect Description:

Due to moisture entering the remote diagnostic electrical connections socket in the engine compartment, corrosion can occur which could lead to a short circuit, resulting in a fire. There has been one reported incident of high thermal load in one of the possibly affected motorcoaches.

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Chronology :

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| March 26, 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receipt of first service report describing a locally limited high thermal load. • Receipt of information that beginning corrosion was detected at three further vehicles. • Decision for further investigations was determined. |
| April 12, 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EvoBus GmbH determined a safety defect existed in certain Setra motorcoaches |

April 19, 2013

- WPN Services verbally notified NHTSA on the intention to undertake a safety recall on certain Setra motorcoaches once affected VIN's were identified in the USA and Canada.

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Program for remedying the defect:

MCI – the designated importer and sales agent for the affected motorcoaches - will notify affected customers of this defect and the potential safety consequences. Subsequent notifications and the remedy – to remove the engine compartment socket and associated wiring – will be undertaken without charge to the customer, and by agreement, MCI will be reimbursed by EvoBus GmbH.

573.6(c)(8)(ii)

The estimated date for notification to customers: Target mid June 2013 by MCI

The estimated date to provide service bulletin: Target mid June 2013 by MCI

The estimated date of completion of the notification: Target mid June 2013 by MCI

573.6(c)(9)

Representative copies of all notices, bulletins and other communications:

A copy of the service bulletin will be submitted to your office as soon as possible.

573.6(c)(10)

Proposed owner notification letter submission:

A draft of the owner notification letter will be submitted to your office as soon as possible.

573.6(c)(11)

Manufacturer's campaign number:

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Sincerely,



Bill Nicolle
WPN Services (on behalf of Daimler Buses North America)