



Date: June 20, 2013

This report serves as Collins Bus Corporation's notification to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that a defect related to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Mid Bus buses. Collins Bus Corporation decided that this defect existed in these vehicles on June 30, 2013.

I. Manufacturer, Designated Agent, and Other Chain of Distribution Information

Manufacturer's corporate name: Collins Bus Corporation

Vehicle brand: Mid Bus

Concerned Component Manufacturer:

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II. Identification of the Recall Population and Its Size

Make: Mid Bus brand

Model: CSD-7450R-C

Model Year: 2006-2007

Inclusive dates of manufacture: September 2006 through October 2007

Body Style/Type: School Bus and Multi-Function School Activity Bus

Total number of these vehicles: 17

Collins Bus Corporation determined that the affected buses were limited to these models manufactured from September 11, 2006 through October 25, 2007. Previously manufactured units did not contain the affected Ricon lifts. Subsequently manufactured units do not contain the defect.

III. Description of the Defect or Noncompliance and Chronology of Events

Some of the lifts, manufactured by Ricon Corporation, may have an armored pendant controls that may contact the lift power lug resulting in a high current short circuit and the possibility of fire.

IV. The Remedy Program and Its Schedule

Customers will be instructed to take their vehicle to their Mid Bus distributor for inspection. The inspection will consist of confirming proper lift pendant installation; if the pendant has been replaced such that the lift is no longer equipped with an armored pendant cord, no further action is necessary. Make sure the cord is managed so that the cord does not contact the lift, make sure that the protective, elastomeric cover shipped with the lift is properly installed and contact Ricon for supplemental cover kit and instructions. Ricon Corporation will provide these services to our customers at no charge. Materials are available by calling Ricon Customer Service at 800-322-2884 or by emailing Ricon's Recall Coordinator at admin12E038@wabtec.com or by locating the nearest Ricon servicing dealer using the locator on the Ricon website – www.riconcorp.com. Any customer who has made repairs of this defect prior to this notice will be reimbursed the cost of those repairs.

As of September 29, 2012, Ricon Corporation had production remedies in place to prevent these defects. Dealer Notifications will be issued by June 7, 2013. Owner notifications will be issued by June 14, 2013. All modifications should be completed by July 30, 2013.