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Ms. Nancy Lewis
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington DC 20590

Dear Ms. Lewis,

In accordance with the requirements of CFR 49 Part 573.6 Blue Bird Body Company is submitting the attached defect report.

This report was emailed to Kelly Schuler at NHTSA on June 04, 2014.

If you should have any questions concerning the information submitted, please contact me at 478-822-2242.

Respectfully,

Bill Coleman
Corporate Recall Administrator

Enclosure:

49 CFR Part 573.6 Defect Report for Recall R14XD Roush Propane Tank Fuel Line Fitting



BLUE BIRD

49 CFR, PART 573.6 Defect and Noncompliance Reporting

Defect Report-School Bus

Original Report Date: June 04, 2014

1. Vehicles affected are manufactured by:

Blue Bird Corporation
P. O. Box 937
Fort Valley, GA 31030

2. The defective component was manufactured by:

Roush Clean Tech, LLC
12170 Globe Street
Livonia MI 48150
Jay R. Joliffe
General Counsel-Rousch Enterprises, Inc.
734-779-7201

3. The following vehicles are being recalled:

Certain 2012 through 2013 model year Blue Bird Vision model school buses manufactured from January 10, 2012 through April 24, 2013 and equipped with optional Roush CleanTech LLC propane fuel system.

4. The total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect are:

388

5. The approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect is:

100%

6. The defect consists of:

In severe environments, the aluminum fuel line fitting at the propane tank can experience galvanic corrosion where it contacts the brass supply valve housing on the fuel tank. This could result in a leak of the propane fuel, which could lead to a fire.

7. The following data is the basis for the determination of the defect.

On May 29, 2014 Blue Bird received notification from Roush CleanTech, LLC advising Blue Bird of its intent to declare a recall to correct a safety related defect concerning the aluminum fuel line fitting at the propane fuel tank on certain Roush CleanTech, LLC propane tanks it provided to Blue Bird.

On June 04, 2014 Blue Bird decided to conduct a recall to correct the defect on its affected buses. To date, no reports of injuries, fatalities or fires related to this condition have been received.

8. The defect will be corrected in the following manner:

The aluminum fuel line fitting at the fuel tank will be replaced with a new stainless steel fitting.

9. Notification will be as follows:

The dealer notification letter is scheduled to be issued on or about June 24, 2014. The owner notification letter is scheduled to be issued on or about June 24, 2014. Parts to remedy the defect are anticipated to be available at time of notification.

10. Blue Bird's identification number assigned to this recall is:

R14XD

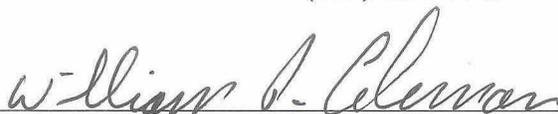
11. Dealer and Owner Notification:

A draft copy of the notification documents will be provided to NHTSA for review prior to mailing.

Questions regarding this recall should be directed to:

William P. Coleman
Corporate Recall Administrator
Blue Bird Body Company
P.O. Box 937
Fort Valley GA 31030
(478) 822-2242

Signed: _____



William P. Coleman, Corporate Recall Administrator