



U.S. Department of Transportation  
**National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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NVS-215KS  
15V-544

**Subject:** Battery Cable Corrosion

Dear Ms. Nadeau:

This letter serves to acknowledge Corp. Micro Bird Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

MICRO BIRD/G5/2013-2015

**Mfr's Report Date:** August 27, 2015

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V-544

**Components:**

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY:CABLES

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 11

**Problem Description:**

Corp. Micro Bird Inc. (Micro Bird) is recalling certain model year 2013-2015 G5 transit buses manufactured March 25, 2013, to May 1, 2015. In the affected buses, the positive battery feeder stud that is attached to the positive cable in the battery box may prematurely corrode. Additionally, bolts designed to mount the battery box may also be missing.

**Consequence:**

If the feeder stud is corroded, a short circuit may result, increasing the risk of a fire. If the battery box mounting bolts are missing, the battery and box may detach causing damage to other components.

**Remedy:**

Micro Bird will notify owners, and dealers will replace the feeder stud components and install a protective cap to prevent corrosion, free of charge. Any missing battery box bolts will be installed. The recall is expected to begin in September 2015. Owners may contact Micro Bird customer service at 1-819-477-2012 extension 364. Micro Bird's number for this recall is 15-060-BUC.

**Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

We have received Micro Bird's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As required in Part 573.6(c)(6), in the case of a defect, please amend your provided chronology to include the dates of the principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with their dates of receipt. Please provide this information as soon as possible.

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at [kelly.schuler@dot.gov](mailto:kelly.schuler@dot.gov) or through the office email at [rmd.odi@dot.gov](mailto:rmd.odi@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigations  
Enforcement