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A SUBSIDIARY OF INTERNATIONAL TRUCK AND ENGINE CORPORATION

# **SAFETY RECALL 07513**

Dear IC Corporation Customer,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

IC® has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in the rear axle brake drop hose routing of certain FE school and commercial buses built 3/29/2007 thru 8/28/2007 with air brakes and rear exit exhaust systems.

### REASON FOR THIS RECALL

The routing of the service and parking brake rubber drop hoses to the rear axle's brake components may bring them too close to the exhaust tail pipe. The rubber hoses may melt if routed too close to the tail pipe causing either of two possibilities:

1) An air leak on the parking brake hose may cause the parking brakes to slowly apply while depleting both the primary and secondary air circuits.

### RISK TO MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY

Even though the air pressure gauge and low air pressure warning buzzer would give ample warning to a driver, these conditions could cause the vehicle to slow down or stop unexpectedly which may contribute to a vehicle crash possibly causing property damage, personal injury or death.

2) An air leak on a service brake hose may result in extended stopping distances while also depleting the primary air tank.

### RISK TO MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY

An extended stopping distance can happen without prior warning to the driver and may contribute to a vehicle crash possibly causing property damage, personal injury or death.

### **ACTIONS YOU SHOULD TAKE**

If you wish to perform the repair yourself, instructions are attached to this notice.

If you DO NOT wish to perform this service yourself, please contact your local IC dealer to schedule an appointment to have your vehicle repaired.

# **DECEMBER 2007**

The repair involves an inspection and/or replacement/rerouting of both drop hoses.

Dealers will have instructions to inspect and/or repair your vehicle by **11/9/2007**.

This will be performed *free of charge* and may take approximately *45 minutes* to complete.

### IF YOU DO NOT OWN THIS VEHICLE

Please fill out the enclosed green **Authorization for Recall Service** card so you will not be contacted again regarding this recall.

### IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE

Questions or comments can be directed to:

IC Corporation PO BOX 6000 Conway, AR 72033

Or by email to: shawn.finkbeiner@ic-corp.com

If you believe that IC has failed to perform this repair within a reasonable amount of time, or the existing condition was not remedied without charge, please follow the procedure described in the *Owner Assistance Guide* section in your Owner's Manual or call toll free 1-800-448-7825.

You may also wish to submit a complaint to:

Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration,
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C., 20590

or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hot-Line at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY:1-800-424-9152) or go to <a href="http://www.safercar.gov">http://www.safercar.gov</a>.

### LESSOR REQUIREMENTS

Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this Recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

We request your prompt attention to the correction of this defect and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you.

Sincerely,

# **IC CORPORATION**