

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

25V-223

Manufacturer Name : Corp. Micro Bird, Inc.

Submission Date : APR 08, 2025

NHTSA Recall No. : 25V-223

Manufacturer Recall No. : 25-114-UUS



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Corp. Micro Bird, Inc.

Address : 3000, Rue Girardin
Drumondville, Quebec 00 J2E 0A1

Company phone : 819-477-2012

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 102

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2023-2024 Micro Bird G5

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : In certain school vehicles, the U-bolts holding the suspension blades may break, increasing the risk of a crash, and if so, of injuries.

Production Dates : NOV 23, 2023 - MAR 31, 2025

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR

End : NR

☐ Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : In certain school vehicles equipped with supplemental suspension blades, the U-bolts holding them in place may break.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If a U-bolt break, the pressure will be no longer evenly distributed, it can generate mechanical play and abnormal driving noises, damage nearby components or cause the axle to slip during sudden braking or acceleration. In extreme cases, the axle may detach from the chassis, causing loss of control, increasing the risk of crashing and if so, of injuries

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning NR
that can Occur :

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : U-Bolt

Component Description : U-bolt holding suspension blades

Component Part Number : NR

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : IMT Standens

Address : 1222 58th Avenue S.E.

Calgary Foreign States T2H 2E9

Country : Canada

Chronology :

When installing supplemental suspension blades on certain GM vehicles, the GM original U-bolts that support the suspension blades are replaced by longer U-bolts. During two separate instances of vehicle preparation before delivery (January 27 and February 12, 2025), GM vehicles that have been equipped with supplemental suspension blades were found in the yard with a broken U-bolt.

The U-bolt supplier, IMT Standens, was contacted to discuss the situation to determine whether these U-bolts were different from previously delivered units. At the same time, some U-bolts were sent for analysis to the Canadian Material Testing Bureau to determine whether there was an issue with the material of the U-bolts. The results were not conclusive in both instances.

Following the information that After-sales service had received two claims in March 2025 concerning U-bolts breakage and the discovery of another occurrence in the yard, it was decided on March 28, to temporarily stop installing supplemental suspension blades and leave the GM original U-bolt in place.

Even though the source cause of the breakage has not been identified, it was decided, on April 1, 2025, to recall the GM vehicles in which the GM original U-bolts were replaced with IMT Standens U-bolts.

Micro Bird is not aware of any incident linked to this non-compliance

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program :	Micro Bird Corporation will provide field inspection and modification instructions and necessary parts to mitigate this recall at no charge. It will be the responsibility of the bus owners to have their vehicle(s) corrected by a Micro Bird dealer. The dealers will Inspect the U-bolts and, if broken, replace them as well as replace the main screw that holds the spring leaves together. Owners who have incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the defect addressed by this recall campaign in advance of notification and have not already submitted a claim on warranty, may submit their claims to Micro Bird Corporation. Reimbursement, in part or in full, will be provided upon approval of the claim
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :	NR
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production :	NR

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule :	Micro Bird Corporation will notify dealers via emails and written notifications will be sent to recalled vehicles owners
Planned Dealer Notification Date :	MAY 05, 2025 - MAY 16, 2025
Planned Owner Notification Date :	MAY 26, 2025 - JUN 06, 2025

* NR - Not Reported