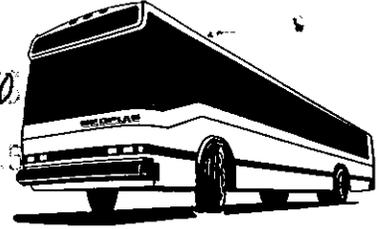


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Dear Sir:

NEOPLAN USA CORPORATION is currently preparing to install a new engine configuration into one of our new design buses. The new bus series will be a Mall Bus type, (see attached list), number 5, Series character S (Shuttle Bus). The engine configuration is a 6 cylinder 8.3 diesel, in-line, transversal installation. (See attached list, Item 7 Engine, number 5).

The other engine configuration clarified (Item 7 Engine, number 6) is an 8V/8.2 diesel, in-line installation. This is to basically clarify VIN specifications currently needed.

The above information is for your review, concurrence, and approval.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Positive regards,

NEOPLAN USA CORPORATION

Mike Bryant
Contract Administrator

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VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER DESIGNATION CHART

| <u>VIN DIGIT POSITION</u> | <u>NUMBER OR LETTER ASSIGNED</u> | <u>EXPLANATION</u> |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | RE: S4.5.1 First Section Manufacturer Identification |
| 2 | N | RE: S4.5.1 Manufacturer Identification |
| 3 | 9 | RE: S4.5.1 Manufacturer Produces Less Than 500 Buses per Year. Must be 9. |
| 4 <u>Model</u> | T (Transit Bus) H (Highway Bus) S (Shells) | RE: S4.5.2 Second Section Specify attributes of vehicle. Character - Alphabetic |
| 5 <u>Series</u> | N (New Look) A (Advanced Design) J (Jetliner) K (Skyliner) P (Spaceliner) C (Cityliner) M (Chassis Bus) S (Shuttle Bus) | RE: S4.5.2 Character - Alphabetic |
| 6 <u>Body Type</u> | 1 (Single Deck) 2 (Double Deck) 3 (Articulated) | RE: S4.5.2 Character - Numeric |
| 7 <u>Engine</u> | 1 (6V Diesel, Transversal Installation) 2 (6V Diesel, In-Line Installation) 3 (8V Diesel, In-Line Installation) 4 (8V Diesel, Transversal Installation) 5 (6 Cylinder In-Line 8.3 Diesel, Transversal Installation) 6 (8V/8.2 Diesel, In-Line Installation) 7 (6 Cylinder Diesel In-Line, Transversal Installation) 8 (8V/8.2 Diesel, C-Drive Installation) 9 (6 Cylinder Diesel In-Line, In-Line Installation) | RE: S4.5.2 Character - Numeric |
| 8 <u>Brakes</u> | A (Air Brakes) H (Air/Hydraulic) | RE: S4.5.2 Character - Alphabetic or Numeric |
| 9 <u>Check Digit</u> | | |
| 10 <u>Year</u> | | |
| 11 <u>Plant</u> | B (Berlin, W. Germany Mfg. Facility) H (Honeybrook, PA. Mfg. Facility) L (Lamar, CO. Mfg. Facility) | RE: S4.5.3.1 Third Section Table II |

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| <u>VIN DIGIT POSITION</u> | <u>NUMBER OR LETTER ASSIGNED</u> | <u>EXPLANATION</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 12 | 0 | RE: Manufacturer produces less than 500 busses per year, therefore characters 1 & 2 identify the manufacturer, make and type of vehicle. |
| 13 | 1 | |
| 14 | 3 | |
| 15 | | RE: S4.5.3.3 |
| 16 | | characters 15,16, & 17 represent the sequential number assigned by the manufacturer. |
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