

<p><b>American Bus Video</b>  <b>Division of FMI</b>  <b>2545 Valley Ridge Dr.</b>  <b>Cumming, GA. 30040</b>  <b>770-263-8118 Tel</b>  <b>770-887-5944 Fax</b>  <a href="http://AmericanBusVideo.com">AmericanBusVideo.com</a></p>	<p align="center"><b>Bus Video In PA</b></p> <p><b>AFFECTED:</b>  <b>All bus video systems sold in PA</b>  <b>with audio</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>FIELD</b>  <b>SERVICE</b>  <b>MEMO</b>  <b>#10</b>  <b>Issue Date</b>  <b>July 24, 2008</b></p>
<b>TOPIC</b>	Audio recording on PA school buses may not be legal	
<b>PROBLEM</b>	I was informed this morning from a school bus contracted carrier that recording audio on a school bus was not permitted, as relayed to him from the PA State Patrol who perform the state inspections on the buses each year.	
<b>INDICATION</b>	<p>All bus video systems we currently offer have the ability to record audio, it is up to the school district whether they choose to do this or not.</p> <p>I have proceeded with due diligence to try to verify this claim and have been unable to contact the PA state patrol via their web site or the listed phone numbers that are currently not working on their site. I was able to receive collaborating verification from another manufacturer of bus video system that PA schools who make copies of the video available to parents in the past, have done so with no recordings of the audio tracks. I have found at least one case sited in PA law where a recording of audio on a bus was involved with a legal suit against the district.</p> <p><a href="http://www.eschoolnews.com/.webloc">www.eschoolnews.com/.webloc</a>  <a href="http://newsgroups.derkeiler.com/#2B6D6">newsgroups.derkeiler.com/#2B6D6</a></p> <p>PA State Patrol web site:  <a href="http://www.psp.state.pa.us/.webloc">www.psp.state.pa.us/.webloc</a></p>	
<b>SOLUTION</b>	All Eagleye & Safety Vision systems come with public notification that the occupants of the bus are being recorded. All Eagleye & Safety Vision DVRs offer both software selectable and mechanical enabling or disabling of the audio feature should the school system choose not to record audio due to a state legal view it may infringe on privacy of the bus occupants. Any school district not wanting their systems to record audio have that ability built into the system software and when installing them as a secondary mechanical solution.	
<b>USE TIP</b>	<p><b>Mechanical solution:</b>  When installing the DVRs into the buses, if choosing the EE-33W (Turret) cameras, you simply do not add the in-line microphone that comes included with the systems. When installing the PD camera (Police version) you do not need to plug in the audio cable at the rear of the DVR (audio cables have RCA plugs in white or red).</p> <p><b>Software solution:</b>  Within the "Setup" menu there is a "Audiop" provision just for this purpose. When "Enabled" audio is recorder, when "Disabled" audio is not.</p>	