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**Louisville, New York
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Crash Information and Summary

A. CRASH INFORMATION

Location: State Route 37 (SR-37) Westbound, Louisville, St. Lawrence County, New York

Vehicle #1: 2021 Freightliner M-2 106 straight truck

Operator: Aero Global Logistics LLC

Vehicle #2: 2013 Micro Bird school bus

Operator: LBFNY LLC

Crash Summary

On Saturday, January 28, 2023, at about 6:00 a.m. eastern standard time, a 2013 medium size bus (bus) with 15 occupants and comprised of a Chevrolet Express chassis and a Micro Bird school bus body was westbound on New York State Route 37 (SR-37), in Louisville, St. Lawrence County, New York. The bus was owned by LBFNY LLC, a solar farm construction company and used to transport workers to and from the work site. At the same time, a 2021 Freightliner M-2 106 straight truck with a 26-foot Morgan box, operated by Aero Global Logistics LLC and carrying auto parts, was eastbound in the opposite direction on SR-37. According to preliminary evidence,

as the two vehicles approached each other, the box truck crossed over the highway centerline that contained rumble strips and collided with the driver's side of the bus. As a result, six bus occupants died in the crash, two were seriously injured, six had minor injuries, and one was uninjured. The truck driver, who was the only occupant in the truck, was seriously injured. At the crash location, SR-37 is a two-lane highway with a posted speed limit of 55 miles per hour (mph).