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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Rhinebeck, NY [REDACTED]

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Ref. # 10220604

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated February, 23 2008, concerning NHTSA campaign 08V-051 on your model year (MY) 2002 Ford Econoline motorhome. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation received your correspondence on March 5, 2008. We regret any inconvenience our delay may have caused you.

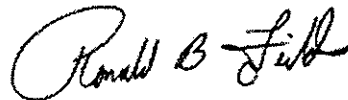
NHTSA is the Federal agency responsible for improving safety on our Nation's highways. We are authorized to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain serious safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. We also monitor the adequacy of manufacturers' recall campaigns. In order for the agency to initiate an investigation, we look carefully at the body of consumer complaints and other available data to determine whether a defect may exist. We cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

We appreciate the report you provided. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. If the safety-related corrective action for the recalled speed control deactivation switch (SCDS) has not been performed, NHTSA strongly recommends that work be accomplished on your motorhome as soon as possible by making an appointment with an authorized Ford dealer. It is worth noting that the SCDS circuit is always energized; the possibility of a fire does not diminish when an un-remedied vehicle is not in use. To limit the possibility of a house fire, owners are strongly encouraged to park vehicles away from structures until a remedy can be performed. We recommend that you inform Dutchess County Fairgrounds of the potential fire risk.



Should you encounter a safety-related problem with a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment in the future, you can complete an electronic Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire online at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/ivoq>. Also, a summary listing of vehicle owners' complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc. can be obtained at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald B. Fields". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ronald" being the most prominent.

Ronald B. Fields, Chief
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