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U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE.
Washington, DC 20590

January 21, 2011

The Honorable Lincoln Davis
Member, U.S. House of Representatives
1064 North Gateway Avenue
Rockwood, TN 37854

NVS-216 mec
Ref. No. 10356429

Dear Congressman Davis:

Thank you for your correspondence on behalf of you constituent, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] wrote your office concerning his model year (MY) 2006 Fleetwood Southwind recreational vehicle (RV).

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (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 motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. 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 appreciate the report you provided on behalf of [REDACTED]. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. [REDACTED] is concerned that his MY 2006 Fleetwood Southwind RV is not included in the brake recall. According to NHTSA Recall Campaign No. 09V-198, [REDACTED] RV is included.

In April 2009, Navistar, the parent company of Workhorse Custom Chassis, announced the recall of certain MY 2001 through MY 2008 Workhorse W20, W21, and W22 series chassis equipped in Fleetwood RVs for a problem involving the hydraulic brakes. Owners with occasional or seasonal vehicle operation may experience brake calipers that stick in the applied position, which can increase the risk of a crash. The manufacturer has not notified all owners and is continuing the notification process. We suggest he contact Workhorse directly at 1-877-246-7731 for further information. We have included a copy of the notification letter to assist you.



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I hope this information is helpful. If you have any questions, please contact me or Mr. Claude H. Harris, Acting Associate Administrator for Enforcement, at (202) 366-3217.

Sincerely yours,

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

Chan D. Lieu
Director, Governmental Affairs,
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Enclosure

cc: Washington Office