



U.S. Department
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National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

DOT Auto Safety Hotline
Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire
TO REPORT VEHICLE SAFETY DEFECTS
POSTED 1-888-DASH-2-DOT
(1-888-327-4236)
INTERNET: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name
Street
City

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☐ YES ☐ NO
in the absence of an authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date 01/30/01

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Vehicle Identification No. (VIN.) (17 Digits) 1G8LP37J4V3305357		Make FLEETWOOD	Model BOUNDER	Year 1997
Purchased Date 5-17-99	Dealer's Name POVIS60 R.V.-12218 Hwy 99 So.		Engine Size (CID/OC/L) No. Cylinders	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☒ Gas ☐ Fuel Injection
☐ New ☐ Used	Dealer's City EVERETT	State WA	Zip Code 98204	
Manufacture Date (on driver's door or pillar)	Transmission Type ☐ Manual ☒ Automatic	Restraint System ☐ Driverside Air Bag ☐ Passengerside Air Bag ☒ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbelt ☐ 2-Point Belt	Cruise Control ☒ Yes ☐ No	Drivetrain ☐ Front ☒ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel
			Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Van ☐ Minivan ☒ Other MOTORHOMES	Body Style ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☒ Other MOTORHOMES

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Part Name(s)	Location ☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Right ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement	Handicap Adaptive Equip ☐ Yes ☐ No
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TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Brand	Tire Name	Complete Tire Size
No. of Failures	Date(s) of Failure(s) Mileage at Failure(s) Vehicle Speed at Failure(s):	Failed Part(s) Available? ☐ Yes ☐ No NHTSA Previously Contacted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies). Attach photos if available.)

Crash ☐ Yes ☐ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☐ No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Reported to Manufacturer ☐ Yes ☐ No
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Narrative Description of Incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies).
A Letter was received from the manufacturer of my 34' Bounder Class A Motorhome warning us of the danger of towing a car behind the motorhome! It explained that without a separate braking system for the towed car the Motorhome could not be stopped. At the time of the purchase this was explained to me. Had it been I would not have purchased this motorhome. It has become clear that even without a towed car the chassis selected by Fleetwood for manufacture of this model 34' Bounder was of

Continue on back.

The Privacy Act of 1974 - Public Law 93-579 This information is requested pursuant to a49 U.S.C. Chapter 301. You are under no obligation to respond to this questionnaire. Your response may be used to assist NHTSA in determining whether a manufacturer should take appropriate action to correct a safety defect. If NHTSA proceeds with administration enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

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insufficient capacity to safely carry the weight of 50 large motor home (34') on a P-30 Chevrolet Light duty Truck chassis. This problem was made clearer on last years Trip to California when driving on irregular surfaces and overpoles & off camber road surfaces when control was close to lost creating an extremely life threatening situation.

The decision to use this chassis for the manufacture of such a large motorhome was irresponsible of Fleetwood Mfg. Co. because of the danger to purchasers, & of this unit. Added to this is the fact that the wheel base length leaves too much overhang past the drive wheels causing real danger.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

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Abstract

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