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Mr. Frank Borris, Director  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Safety Assurance  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE W45-302  
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Submittal of information required under 49CFR Part 579

Dear Mr. Borris:

Thor Motor Coach (TMC) has decided to conduct a safety recall involving certain 2015 TMC motorhomes that were manufactured in the United States and then exported to Dubai in the United Arab Emirates.

The comment section in the attached section 579.11 report explains why this foreign recall is not applicable to vehicle sold in the United States.

Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding this report.

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Attachment – TMC Part 579.11 Report

**Thor Motor Coach  
49CFR Part 579.11 Report**

Manufacturer:	Thor Motor Coach
Make:	Thor Motor Coach
Model:	Four Winds 35SK
Model Year:	2015
Number of Vehicles:	8
Action Type Determination:	Safety Recall
TMC Action Number:	TIB #15-002
Condition:	Incorrect battery cable routing. The battery cable connecting the motorhome portion of the vehicle to the vehicular portion was routed too close to the vehicle exhaust without the proper heat shielding. This resulted in a fire in one unit during delivery.
Correction:	The battery cable will be heat shielded, re-routed and secured to prevent any contact with the vehicle exhaust.
Date of Determination:	30-Jan-15
Action Commenced:	Technical Information Bulletin was created and all eight vehicles were corrected.
Countries Involved:	United Arab Emirates
Substantially Similar U.S. Vehicles:	None
Comment:	The eight vehicles subject to this recall were custom built for a customer in Dubai, UAB. These eight vehicles were built on Ford F550 4-Wheel Drive Chassis with a gasoline engine and dual exhaust. No US models are built using this chassis specification. The battery cable routing for the single exhaust US diesel engine was used on these units which was not validated by engineering for protection from exhaust heat.