



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

ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE 05-014
Date Opened: 03/17/2005 Date Closed: 04/19/2005
Principal Investigator: Sonny Murianka
Subject: Potential Movement of Washer/Dryer

Manufacturer: Tiffin Motorhomes, Inc.
Products: Tiffin Motorhomes - 2005 Allegrobay & Bus, Phaeton, Zephyr
Population: 867

Problem Description: The washer/ dryer can tip over and fall into the living space.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	0	2	2
Crashes/Fires:	0	0	0
Injury Incidents:	0	0	0
# Injuries:	0	0	0
Fatality Incidents:	0	0	0
# Fatalities:	0	0	0
Other*:	0	0	0

*Description of Other:

Action: This Preliminary Evaluation is closed. Tiffin has filed a safety defect report. Campaign number assigned is 05V-145.

Engineer: Sonny Murianka

Date: 04/19/2005

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Summary: In January 2005, Tiffin issued a service bulletin (unnumbered) entitled "service bulletin for potential movement of washer/dryer." The bulletin addressed the possibility that the washer and dryer could move unexpectedly while the motorhome is being driven. During discussions with Tiffin, ODI learned that two incidents had been reported where the washer and dryer fell or tipped over into the living space.

On April 7th, 2005, Tiffin notified ODI that after further review, they had decided that this issue should be resolved by conducting a safety recall campaign and subsequently filed safety recall 05V-145 (copy attached). Tiffin will be installing a kit that prevents the movement of the washer and dryer assembly. This action resolves the issues raised by this investigation. This investigation is closed.

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