



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

ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE 05-026
Date Opened: 05/11/2005 Date Closed: 09/22/2005
Principal Investigator: Tom Bowman
Subject: Wheels cracking and breaking

Manufacturer: Monaco Coach Corporation
Products: Monaco MY 03-04 Presidential, MY 03 Camelot, MY 05 Lakota
Population: 290

Problem Description: The wheel cracks and/or breaks through the weld that attached the wheel rim to the wheel center.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	0	33	33
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	399	399

*Description of Other: Monaco warranty claims

Action: Close this Preliminary Evaluation. Monaco is conducting a safety recall.

Engineer: Thomas Bowman

Date: 09/22/2005

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Summary: In response to the product failures that prompted ODI to initiate investigation PE05-026, Monaco Coach has filed Defect Notice 05V-418 that proposes to conduct a product recall to replace certain 16" chrome plated steel wheels that were installed as original equipment between March 2005 and July 2005 in approximately 290 2005 and 2006 model year fifth wheel trailers.

Tredit Tire, Monaco Coach's supplier of tire and wheel assemblies, had investigated the reasons for the cracked and broken wheels, determined the causes, and notified Monaco and ODI (05E-051) of their findings.

In response to ODI's inquiries in investigation PE05-026, Monaco Coach has informed ODI that some wheels installed in model year 2003, 2004, and 2005 vehicles that are not currently addressed by campaign 05V-418 have also been reported cracked, broken, and/or leaking. Accordingly, ODI will evaluate whether additional actions appear to be warranted for wheels installed in Monaco vehicles manufactured prior to March 2005 and not addressed by campaign 05V-418.

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