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June 7, 2010

U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590
Att: Mr. Alex Ansley:

RE: Recall Number 08E-046

Dear Mr. Ansley:

We are in receipt of your letter regarding the above referenced recall. New England Wheels purchased and installed three of the 6-way power seat bases, produced by the Ricon Corporation between January 1, 2006 and May 14, 2007. In all cases, these seat bases were installed in customer supplied vehicles.

We have identified two of the three customers and are simultaneously sending notice per the attached letters. We believe the third seat was installed in a used rental vehicle sold through New England Wheels. We anticipate finalizing that documentation this week as the information is no longer stored on premises.

Should you have any questions, please give me a call.

Very truly yours,

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[redacted]

Regarding: Ricon Recall 08E-046

Dear [redacted]

New England Wheels has been notified by Ricon Corporation and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) that certain 6-way power seat bases, produced between January1, 2006 and May 14, 2007, contain a weld on the pivot shaft that may fail due to poor (cold) welding. A failed pivot shaft weld can cause the driver's seat to become detached from the seat base, possibly causing injury to the driver and increasing the risk of a crash.

Our records indicate that a Ricon seat base subject to this recall was installed in your vehicle whose vehicle identification number is 1D4GP24R35B[redacted]

What should you do?
Please contact Jamie Trinidade, Service Manager of New England Wheels immediately to arrange for the seat base to be inspected promptly. Should the seat base show any evidence of premature wear/failure associated with this recall it will be promptly replaced. There will be no costs to you associated with this recall. Your prompt attention to this matter is important.

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Our records indicate that a Ricon seat base subject to this recall was installed in your vehicle whose vehicle identification number's last eight digits are WK[redacted]

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