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OFFICE OF DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

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Investigation: PE 12-037
Date Opened: 12/07/2012
Investigator: Peter Kivett **Reviewer:** Bruce York-B
Approver: Frank Borris
Subject: Loss of Emergency Power & Accessories

MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: ROAD RESCUE, INC.
Products: 2008 Road Rescue EV Ambulance
Population: 2,000

Problem Description: Exterior lights/sirens and life support equipment/lighting for the rear patient compartment intermittently stop working.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	1	0	1
Crashes/Fires:	0	0	0
Injury Incidents:	0	0	0
Fatality Incidents:	0	0	0

ACTION / SUMMARY INFORMATION

Action: This Preliminary Evaluation is opened.

Summary:

The Office of Defects Investigations (ODI) received a complaint from an ambulance fleet regarding electrical issues with two of their emergency response vehicles. The subject vehicles are 2008 Road Rescue Ambulance built on 2008 Dodge Sprinter 2500 chassis. Allegedly while on emergency runs, the vehicles would lose interior lighting and emergency power in the patient compartment, exterior lighting and sirens, or both at the same time.

ODI has opened this investigation to asses the frequency, severity and risks associated with this issue.

The ODI report cited above can be reviewed at www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/complaints under the following identification (ODI) number: 10446953