

Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Vehicles

Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report

On August 9, 2004, Newmar Corporation received a notification letter from Workhorse Custom Chassis informing of a defect which relates to motor safety exists in the motor vehicles listed below, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

This report was prepared on August 13, 2004.

The manufacturer's identification number for this recall is _____

1. The "Final Stage" vehicle manufacturer is

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2. Identifying the Vehicles Involved in the Recall

The certain vehicles involved in the recall are model years 2002 Dutch Star Class A Motorhomes, 2002-2003 Kountry Star Class A Motorhomes, 2002-2003 Mountain Aire Class A Motorhomes, and 2003 Scottsdale Class A Motorhomes.

3. Furnish the total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect or non-compliance.

All Workhorse Chassis/ Newmar motorhome information has been reported to NHTSA in our report dated May 9, 2003. Please refer to section EA03-003, Document Workhorse No. 2.

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance.

100 % of the vehicles listed above may contain the defect.

5. Describe the defect or non-compliance. The description should address the nature and physical location of the defect or non-compliance. Illustrations should be provided as appropriate.

Workhorse supplied Newmar with chassis containing ZOPS brake calipers as manufactured by Bosch. The brake caliper can "hang" in the "apply" position and become overheated leading to failure or loss of brake performance.

Describe the cause of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Newmar has been informed the brake calipers have been found to hang which can overheat and damage the anti-lock wheel sensor.

Describe the consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Due to the heat generated by the hanging caliper, there could be a loss of brake performance.

Describe any warning which can (a) precede or (b) occur.

A dash light may become illuminated warning of the loss of ant-lock braking.

If the defect or noncompliance is in a component or assembly purchased from a supplier, identify the supplier by corporate name and address:

Workhorse Custom Chassis
940 South State Route 32
Union City, IN 47390

6. If defect, furnish a chronological summary with dates of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination of the defect. Include number of reports, accidents, injuries, fatalities, and warranty claims.

Information provided by Workhorse Custom Chassis.

7. If noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data in chronological order with dates on which the noncompliance was determined.

n/a

8. Furnish a description of the manufacturer's remedy for the defect or noncompliance. Clearly describe the differences between the recall condition and the remedy.

Workhorse will plan to have the Bosch remedy completed on all vehicles involved.

Clearly describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/ assembly versus the recalled component/ assembly.

Information provided by Workhorse Custom Chassis.

Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production. If the production remedy was identical to the recall remedy in the field, so state. If the product was discontinued, so state.

Information provided by Workhorse Custom Chassis.

Furnish a recall schedule or agenda, with specific dates, for notification to other manufacturers, dealers/retailers, and purchasers. Please identify any foreseeable problems with implementing this recall.

Estimated notification schedule provided by Workhorse.

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, or purchaser. This includes all communications concerning this recall.

Workhorse provided information.

The manufacturer's campaign identification number if not identical to the number assigned by NHTSA.

Newmar's identification number will be assigned by NHTSA.

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