

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF NONCOMPLIANCE
INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. **04V-232** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **May 04, 2004**

Date Faxed/E-Mailed: **May 24, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **Ford Motor Company**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **James P. Vondale, Director, Automotive Safety Office**

FAX: **(313) 594-2268**

SUBJECT: 28,443 Ford 2002 E350 wagons, and 2002-2003 E250 vans equipped with LT225/75R16E tires. The rear axle rating is incorrectly listed on the label for certain vans/wagons built with LT225/75R16E tires. In addition, the tire pressure is incorrectly listed on the label for the rear tires on certain wagons and for the front tires on certain vans built with these tires.

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be written only if we have additional comments or concerns.

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

Please provide us with a draft owner notification letter for our review before mailing to consumers.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin on May 26, 2004. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2004.

If you have any questions, please call:



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Recall Management Division

RECALL DOCUMENT



RCQPR-03V179-7459

Artemis # : 03V179000

Record Created Date : 05-22-2003

Printed Date : 05/10/2004

Description : DUTCHMEN/GROUND FAULT CIRCUIT INTERRUPTER OUTLET



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April 30, 2004

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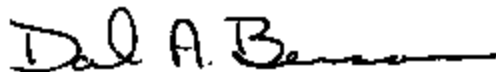
Re: Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc. Recall
Recall No. 03V-179

Dear Ms. Wallace:

Enclosed please find the Vehicle Safety Recall Quarterly Report Information sheet for the first quarter of 2004 for the above-referenced campaign number involving certain 2002 through 2003 trailers that may contain improperly wired GFCI outlets. This quarterly report is being filed in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573.6 and constitutes the third of six consecutive quarterly reports to be filed with respect to this recall campaign.

The enclosed quarterly report should contain all of the information required by NHTSA with respect to this recall campaign. If you should need any additional information or have any questions regarding the quarterly report, please contact the undersigned at the address and telephone number set forth above.

Very truly yours,



Daniel A. Bensman

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Rich Florea (via fax)
Mr. Robert Ries (via fax)
Mr. Walter L. Bennett (via fax)
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Vehicle Safety Recall Quarterly Report Information¹

Required per 49 CFR Part 573.6

Report Date: 4/29/04

Calendar Quarter: 1st Quarter 2004

Safety Recall Quarterly Report from 1/1/04 through 3/31/04

Manufacturer: Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc.

Report Author: Bob Ries Phone: (574) 975-0554

Recall Subject: GFCI Electric Outlet Recall

1. NHTSA Safety Recall Campaign Number: 03V-179

Also, for completeness, if your company has assigned a code number to this campaign, please provide your code: N/A

2. (a) The date notification to purchasers began: August 22, 2003

(b) The date notification of purchasers was completed: September 3, 2003

3. The Total Number of Vehicles Involved: 3,532

The total number of vehicles involved in the subject campaign (including all items sold or distributed to purchasers, dealers, distributors, and similar entities beyond the immediate control of the manufacturer/importer).

4. (a) Total Number Inspected & Remedied: 245

Total number of vehicles which were inspected and/or otherwise repaired or remedied.

(b) Total Number Inspected & NOT REQUIRING REMEDY: 511

Total number of vehicles involved in the recall and inspected, but determined to NOT REQUIRE REMEDIAL or recall repair work.

5. Vehicles Determined to be Unreachable

Total Number Exported: 205

Total Number Stolen: 0

Total Number Scrapped: 0

Total Number Unable to Notify: 5

Total Number Otherwise Unreachable: 0

Describe Other: _____

¹Any Questions please contact Mrs. Kelly Schuler or Mr. Jon White at (202) 366-5226 or