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**National Highway
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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 04V-515 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **October 21, 2004** Date Faxed: **October 29, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: Coachmen Recreational Vehicle Company, LLC

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: Gary Duncan, Vice President, Engineering Services

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SUBJECT: 88 Coachmen 2003-2004 Concord, Freedom, Freeland, Leprechaun and Santara mini motorhomes built on Ford E-Series chassis. The air filter element material process resulted in an air filter paper element that can smolder or burn. This change in filter paper composition combined with the configuration of the air induction system, may allow hot carbon particles to contact the air filter element during certain driving conditions that create hot particles. These hot particles may ignite the air filter element with the potential for air induction system damage or underhood fire.

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

We will need a date of when Ford notified Coachmen of the recall.

As stated in your report, Ford Motor Company will be conducting the owner notification, remedy, and quarterly reporting for this campaign. However, please be advised if Ford's campaign is not satisfactorily handled, the agency will require you to renotify owners.

If you have any questions, please call:

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