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INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 04V-529 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **October 27, 2004**

Date E-Mail: **November 4, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: Four Winds International Corporation

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: Daniel Bensman

SUBJECT: 1,380 Four Winds 2003-2005 Chateau, Dutchmen, Dutchmen Express, Four Winds 5000, Chateau Sport, Funnover, Four Winds, 2004-2005 Majestic, Chateau Citation, Four Winds Siesta, 2005 Dutchmen Dorado motor homes 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.

Please provide us with the date Ford notified Four Winds 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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