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**VIA CERTIFIED U.S. MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Attn: Patricia Wallace  
Mail Code: NSA 11  
400 Seventh Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Champion Bus, Inc.  
Recall Campaign No.: 04V-519


Dear Ms. Wallace:

Enclosed please find the Vehicle Safety Recall Quarterly Report Information sheet for the second quarter of 2006 for the above-referenced recall campaign involving certain 2000, 2001 and 2002 Challenger, CTS, Defender, Corporal, and General model buses that may develop cracks in the sub-floor frame crossmembers and/or floor risers.

Although the initial phase of the recall campaign had not yet been completed, NHTSA required Champion Bus to initiate a renotification campaign. This quarterly report is being filed in accordance with the follow-up notification procedures set forth in 49 CFR Part 577.10. This quarterly report contains cumulative information regarding all buses repaired since the initiation of the recall campaign in October 2004, and constitutes the second of three quarterly reports to be filed with respect to this renotification 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: Champion Bus, Inc. (via e-mail)  
Mr. John M. Garmhausen

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# Vehicle Safety Recall Quarterly Report Information<sup>1</sup>

Required per 49 CFR Part 573.6

Report Date: 7/25/06

Calendar Quarter: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, 2006

Safety Recall Quarterly Report from 4/1/06 through 6/30/06

Manufacturer: Champion Bus, Inc.

Report Author: Deborah Morse

Phone: (810) 724-1753 ext. 399

Recall Subject: Expanded Sub-floor Crossmember Cracks

1. **NHTSA Safety Recall Campaign Number:** 04V-519

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: November 16, 2004 (Initial Notification)

(b) The date notification of purchasers was completed: January 31, 2006 (Renotification)

3. **The Total Number of Vehicles Involved:** 1,562

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:** 564

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

(b) **Total Number Inspected & NOT REQUIRING REMEDY:** 98

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: 23

Total Number Stolen: 0

Total Number Scrapped: 4

Total Number Unable to Notify: 54

Total Number Otherwise Unreachable: 0

Describe Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> Any Questions please contact Mrs. Kelly Schuler or Mr. Jon White at (202) 366-5226 or by FAX at (202) 366-7882.