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**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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NVS-215  
05V-166

Subject: PNEUMATIC SYSTEM STEEL BRAIDED LINE

Dear MR. WOZNAK:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect or noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records, as this is the information that will be made available to the public.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

FLEETWOOD/AMERICAN EAGLE/2004-2005  
FLEETWOOD/AMERICAN TRADITION/2004-2005

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 05V-166

**Recall Date:** April 18, 2005

**Components:**

STEERING:HYDRAULIC POWER ASSIST SYSTEM

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 543

**Summary:**

ON CERTAIN CLASS A MOTOR HOMES, A PNEUMATIC LINE CAN BECOME PINCHED BETWEEN THE HYDRAULIC FILTER AND A COMPARTMENT DOOR STRUT. THE CHAFFING CAUSED BY OPENING AND CLOSING OF THE COMPARTMENT DOOR CAN CAUSE THE FILTER TO RUPTURE AND RESULT IN A HYDRAULIC FLUID LEAK.

**Consequence:**

THIS LOSS OF HYDRAULIC FLUID CAUSES THE POWER STEERING FEATURE TO NOT FUNCTION. THIS CAN RESULT IN LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PERSONAL INJURY OR A VEHICLE CRASH.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSPECT, REPLACE OR REPAIR DAMAGED LINES AND RELOCATE THE AFFECTED HYDRAULIC LINES. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON MAY 9, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT FLEETWOOD AT 1-800-435-7345.

**Notes:**

FLEETWOOD RECALL NO. 50415. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

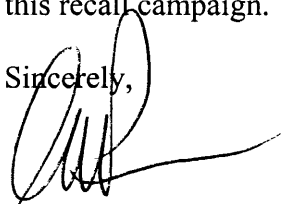
We have reviewed your proposed dealer bulletin and owner letter and they meet the requirements of Part 577.

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, 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, the recall is expected to begin on May 9, 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2005.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at [patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov](mailto:patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov) or [delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov](mailto:delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



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Chief, Recall Management Division