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of Transportation

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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

APR 20 2005

BETTY LEHR
NEWMAR CORPORATION
355 N. DELAWARE STREET
NAPPANEE IN 46550

NVS-215
05V-170

Subject: HEATER BURNER TUBES/VEHICLE SYSTEMS/WEBASTO

Dear MS. LEHR:

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:

NEWMAR/DUTCH STAR/2003-2005
NEWMAR/ESSEX/2003-2005
NEWMAR/LONDON AIRE/2003
NEWMAR/MOUNTAIN AIRE/2003-2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-170

Recall Date: April 20, 2005

Components:
EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 935

Summary:

ON CERTAIN CLASS A MOTORHOMES EQUIPPED WITH VEHICLE SYSTEMS' AQUA-HOT AND HYDRO-HOT WATER HEATERS, WHICH USE WEBASTO BURNER TUBES, THE BURNER TUBES DO NOT MEET SPECIFICATIONS AND COULD FAIL PREMATURELY.

Consequence:

SHOULD THE BURNER TUBE FAIL, THE COOLANT HEATER COULD OVERHEAT, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A FIRE.

Remedy:

VEHICLE SYSTEMS IS CONDUCTING THE OWNER NOTIFICATION AND REMEDY FOR THIS CAMPAIGN. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT VEHICLE SYSTEMS AT 1-800-685-4298 OR NEWMAR AT 574-773-7719.

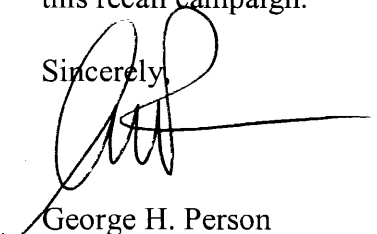
Notes:

CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

As stated in your report, Vehicle Systems will be handling the owner notification, remedy, and quarterly reporting for this campaign. However, please be advised that 49 CFR 573.5 provides that the vehicle manufacturer is responsible for any safety related defect or any noncompliance in the vehicle or any item of original equipment. If Vehicle Systems' campaign is not satisfactory, you may be required to conduct a follow-up notification.

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 or delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division