



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215
05V-194

Subject: RUBBER FUEL LINE CLAMP

Dear MR. BENSMAN:

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:

ELDORADO/AMERIVAN/2004-2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-194

Recall Date: April 28, 2005

Components:

FUEL SYSTEM:GASOLINE:DELIVERY HOSES, LINES/PIPINGS, AND FITTINGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 39

Summary:

ON CERTAIN VANS, THE RUBBER FUEL LINE MAY COME IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE EXHAUST SYSTEM.

Consequence:

A FIRE COULD OCCUR WITHOUT PRIOR WARNING.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL ATTACH A P-CLAMP TO THE RUBBER FUEL LINE TO PREVENT THE RUBBER FUEL LINE FROM COMING IN CLOSE PROXIMITY WITH THE VAN'S EXHAUST SYSTEM. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON MAY 28, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT ELDORADO NATIONAL AT 800-955-9086 EXT 427.

Notes:

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

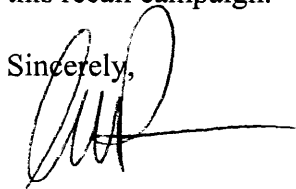
Please provide us with a date of when the manufacturer became aware of the recall.

We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it meets 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).

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Person', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division