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NVS-215
05V-195

Subject: WHEEL CRACKS/RFD

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:

DUTCHMEN/ADIRONDACK/2005
DUTCHMEN/DUTCHMEN LITE/2005
DUTCHMEN/FOUR WINDS EXPRESS/2005
DUTCHMEN/TUNDRA/2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-195

Recall Date: April 29, 2005

Components:

WHEELS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 434

Summary:

ON CERTAIN MOTOR HOMES EQUIPPED WITH RFD WHEELS, THERE IS A DEFECTIVE WELD OF THE WHEELS' CENTER HUB TO THE WHEEL'S RIM.

Consequence:

THIS COULD RESULT IN A WHEEL SEPARATION INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

RFD COMPONENT IS CONDUCTING THE OWNER NOTIFICATION AND REMEDY FOR THIS CAMPAIGN. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT RFD COMPONENTS AT 574-295-3939 OR DUTCHMEN AT 574-534-1224.

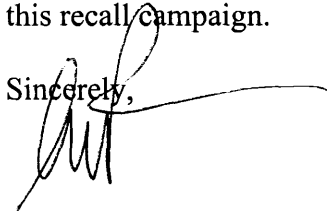
Notes:

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

As stated in your report, RFD Components 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 RFD Components' 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