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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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ROBERT BROWN
NATIONAL R.V. INC.
3411 N. PERRIS BOULEVARD
PERRIS, CA 92571

NVS-215
05V-196

Subject: BATTERY FUSE LOCATION

Dear MR. BROWN:

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:

NATIONAL/ISLANDER/2006
NATIONAL/TRADEWINDS/2006
NATIONAL/TROPI-CAL/2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-196

Recall Date: April 29, 2005

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY:CABLES

Potential Number of Units Affected: TO BE DETERMINED

Summary:

ON CERTAIN MOTOR HOMES, THE FUSE THAT ISOLATES THE BATTERIES WAS NOT INSTALLED IN THE CORRECT LOCATION LEAVING THE CABLE UNPROTECTED BETWEEN THE FUSE AND BATTERIES.

Consequence:

THE FUSE ISOLATOR LOCATION PRESENTS A RISK OF A FIRE.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL RELOCATE THE FUSE ISOLATOR WITHIN 18" OF THE BATTERIES, PROTECTING THE CABLE BETWEEN THE FUSE AND BATTERIES. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT NATIONAL RV AT 800-999-7260.

Notes:

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

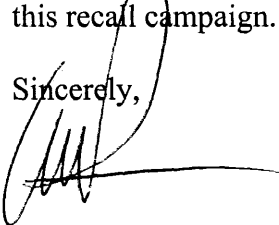
Effective October 21, 2004, a manufacturer must provide an estimated dealer notification date as well as an owner notification date (month/day/year) when submitting a defect/noncompliance report (Part 573.6).

Please provide us with the quantity of vehicles involved, as well as the beginning and ending dates for the build date range [of vehicles] affected by this recall.

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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 line extending to the right.

George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division