



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215
05V-499

Subject: SPARE TIRE CARRIER

Dear MR. VANDERMELON:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect 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:
JAYCO/JAY FEATHER/2005-2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-499

Mfg's Report Date: October 26, 2005

Components: TIRES:TEMPORARY/EMERGENCY SPARE TIRE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 65

Summary:
ON CERTAIN TRAVEL TRAILERS, THE SPARE TIRE CARRIER BOLT MAY BREAK WHILE TRAVELING DOWN THE ROAD.

Consequence:
THIS CONDITION, IF NOT ADDRESSED, COULD RESULT IN A CRASH, INJURY OR DEATH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE SPARE TIRE CARRIER. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON NOVEMBER 30, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT JAYCO AT 1-800-283-8267.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 except for the following items:

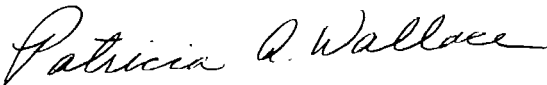
Please provide the date of when the manufacturer became aware of the recall.

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).

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, owner notification is expected to begin on November 30, 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by January 30, 2006.

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,



for George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement