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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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1221 N.W. STALLINGS DRIVE
NACOGDOCHES TX 75964

NVS-215
05V-514

Subject: TAG AXLE SPINDLE PLUGS MISSING

Dear MR. HARVEY:

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:

FORETRAVEL/NMBT/2003
FORETRAVEL/NMBT/2005-2006
FORETRAVEL/PHXT/2003
FORETRAVEL/PHXT/2005-2006
FORETRAVEL/U295T/2003
FORETRAVEL/U295T/2005-2006
FORETRAVEL/U320T/2003
FORETRAVEL/U320T/2005-2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-514

Mfg's Report Date: November 8, 2005

Components: SUSPENSION

Potential Number of Units Affected: 44

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRAVEL TRAILERS, THE SPINDLE PLUGS ON SOME TAG AXLES ARE MISSING. THE BEARINGS AND RELATED SURFACES CAN BE CONTAMINATED WITH DEBRIS.

Consequence:

DEBRIS COULD MIGRATE INTO THE BEARING OIL CUP, WHICH COULD INCREASE THE RISK OF A FIRE.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT FOR DATA TAG AND INSTALLATION OF SPINDLE PLUG. MISSING DATA TAG WILL BE INSTALLED, BEARINGS WILL BE CLEANED, INSPECTED, AND IF NECESSARY, REPLACED. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT FORETRAVEL AT 1-800-955-6226.

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).

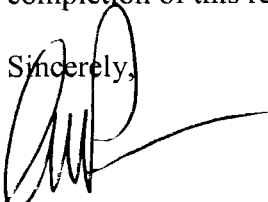
The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 except for the following items:

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).

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,



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