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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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HOME & PARK MOTORHOMES
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NVS-215
05V-533

Subject: BBQ HOSE CONNECTORS

Dear MR. NASTASESCU:

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:

ROADTREK/170/2005-2006
ROADTREK/190/2005-2006
ROADTREK/210/2005-2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-533

Mfg's Report Date: October 27, 2005

Components: EQUIPMENT: RECREATIONAL VEHICLES: LPG LINES AND FITTINGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 381

Summary:

ON CERTAIN CLASS B MOTOR HOMES BUILT ON CHEVROLET CHASSIS AND EQUIPPED WITH PROPANE BBQ CONNECTION. A RUBBER HOSE IS CONNECTED TO THE PROPANE REGULATOR AT ONE END AND HAS A BRASS SHUTOFF VALVE CONNECTOR ON THE OTHER "FREE END." THE CLAMP USED FOR HOLDING THE BRASS BBQ SHUTOFF VALVE IS NOT INSERTED PROPERLY INTO ITS HOLDING CLAMP.

Consequence:

SINCE THE RESTRAINING CLAMP IS MISSING, THE HOSE CAN BOUNCE UP AND DOWN. AS THE VEHICLE IS DRIVEN. THE CONNECTOR CAN FALL TO THE GROUND DRAGGING ONTO THE PAVEMENT AND COULD WEAR A HOLE THROUGH THE HOSE. PROPANE CAN LEAK OUT CREATING THE POTENTIAL FOR A FIRE.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE BBQ HOSE CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY AND CHECK FOR ANY WEAR AND REPLACE UNITS. THE UNITS WILL BE RESTRAINED AND CLAMPS WILL BE ADDED TO LIMIT THE LENGTH OF THE FREE END OF THE HOSE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON NOVEMBER 21, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT HOME AND PARK AT 888-762-3873.

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 or noncompliance report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 except for the following items:


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 during November 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,



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