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Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street S.W.
Washington, DC. 20590

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 573, Jayco, Inc. ("Jayco" or the "Company") is submitting this report to NHTSA concerning a recall campaign, which is being voluntarily initiated. Specific information is as follows:

573.5(c)(2)

Affected vehicles are Model Year 2004 – 2005 Starcraft Ambient, Jayco Granite Ridge, Greyhawk, and Escapade motorhomes manufactured between July 11th, 2003 and August 5th, 2004.

The recall population was determined from the manufacturing records for the Company's manufacturing plant in Middlebury, Indiana, which produced the affected motorhomes.

573.5(c)(3)

A total of eighteen hundred and seventy eight (1878) Starcraft Ambient, Jayco Granite Ridge, Greyhawk, and Escapade motorhomes are subject to this recall. Specific Vehicle Identification Numbers (VIN) are as follows:

2004 – 2005 Starcraft Ambient, Jayco Granite Ridge, Greyhawk, and Escapade motorhomes, with a starting VIN of 1FDXE45S93HB43354 and ending with 1FDXE45SX4IIB26824.

573.5(c)(4)

Jayco is recalling 100 percent of the motorhomes identified in the scope.

573.5(c)(5)

Jayco has determined that certain 2004 – 2005 Starcraft Ambient, Jayco Granite Ridge, Greyhawk, and Escapade motorhomes may have reinforcing plates missing from the installation of the hitch receiver. When a load is applied to the hitch, it may become partially detached from the frame if these plates are missing. This condition, if not addressed, could result in accident, injury or death.

573.5(c)(6)

Jayco decided to conduct this recall following an internal investigation and an evaluation of information gathered during recent field investigations. Jayco is not aware of any fires, injuries or accidents related to this issue.

573.5(c)(8)

The remedy includes inspection and replacement of the reinforcing plates with new hardware, if missing.

Jayco will begin dealer pre-notification within 2 business days after submission. Copies of the repair instructions, dealer notification letters, and owner letters will be provided to the agency within ten (10) business days thereafter. Once approved Jayco is prepared to begin final dealer notification within five (5) business days thereafter, and to owner's five (5) business days subsequent to dealer notification.

Thank you for your assistance,

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David C. VanderMolen". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

David C. VanderMolen
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Senior Technical Research Liaison