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April 21, 2005

VIA CERTIFIED U.S. MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Office of Defects Investigation
Attn: Patricia Wallace
Mail Code: NSA 11
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Eldorado National (California), Inc.
Recall Campaign No.: 05V-021

Dear Ms. Wallace:

Enclosed please find the Vehicle Safety Recall Quarterly Report Information sheet for the first quarter of 2005 for the above-referenced recall campaign involving certain 2000 and 2001 Escort RE and Transmark RE buses containing TRW model 20-EDL ball socket assemblies that may wear-out prematurely. This quarterly report is being filed in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573.6 and constitutes the first of six consecutive quarterly reports to be filed with respect to this recall campaign.

The enclosed quarterly report should contain all of the information required by NHTSA with respect to this recall campaign. If you should need any additional information or have any questions regarding the quarterly report, please contact the undersigned at the address and telephone number set forth above.

Very truly yours,



Daniel A. Bensman

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Enclosure

cc: Eldorado National (California), Inc. (via fax)
Mr. John M. Garmhausen

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Vehicle Safety Recall Quarterly Report Information¹

Required per 49 CFR Part 573.6

Report Date: April 18, 2005

Calendar Quarter: 1st Quarter, 2005

Safety Recall Quarterly Report from January 1, 2005 through March 31, 2005

Manufacturer: ElDorado National (California), Inc.

Report Author: Tony Wayne

Phone: (909) 591-9557

Recall Subject: Arvin-Meritor/TRW/Defective Ball Socket Assemblies

1. **NHTSA Safety Recall Campaign Number:** 05V-021

Also, for completeness, if your company has assigned a code number to this campaign, please provide your code: N/A

2. (a) The date notification to purchasers began: February 28, 2005

(b) The date notification of purchasers was completed: February 28, 2005

3. The Total Number of Vehicles Involved: 80

The total number of vehicles involved in the subject campaign (including all items sold or distributed to purchasers, dealers, distributors, and similar entities beyond the immediate control of the manufacturer/importer).

4. (a) Total Number Inspected & Remedied: 10

Total number of vehicles which were inspected and/or otherwise repaired or remedied.

(b) Total Number Inspected & NOT REQUIRING REMEDY: 0

Total number of vehicles involved in the recall and inspected, but determined to NOT REQUIRE REMEDIAL or recall repair work.

5. Vehicles Determined to be Unreachable

Total Number Exported: 0

Total Number Stolen: 0

Total Number Scrapped: 0

Total Number Unable to Notify: 8

Total Number Otherwise Unreachable:

Describe Other:

¹ Any Questions please contact Mrs. Kelly Schuler or Mr. Jon White at (202) 366-5226 or by FAX at (202) 366-7882.