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December 27, 2005

Mr. Kenneth N. Weinstein
Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 7th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re.: NHTSA Safety Recall Campaign Number: R05V-514

Dear Mr. Weinstein:

Enclosed please find the following documents pertaining to the above referenced recall:

1. Owner Notification Letter
2. Service Manager Letter
3. Service Bulletin
4. Dealer Stock List

If you have any questions whatsoever, please feel free to contact me at: (936) 564-8367; Extension #237. Also, my fax number is: (936) 559-8923.

Sincerely,

Mark Harvey
Director of Warranty and Customer Assistance
Foretravel, Incorporated

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Date: December 12, 2005

Reference: Safety Recall # R05V-514 Servicing Dealer Letter

Attention: Service Manager

Dear: Sir or Madam,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Foretravel, Inc. has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on some tag axle assemblies used on one (1) 2003 and Forty Three (43) 2005 and 2006 year model Foretravel U320T/U295T/NMBT/PHXT Motorhomes, equipped with Ridewell Tag axle assemblies containing Dana T-24 Axles.

These vehicles may have a missing axle serial ID Tag and/or axle spindle plug(s). The potential exists for debris to migrate into the tag axle bearing oil cup which could increase the risk of a fire.

There are a total of 44 Foretravel vehicles involved. The repair will require access and inspection for Dana serial ID tag, recording the appropriate serial number and install if necessary. Inspect for and install spindle plugs if needed. If spindle plugs are missing, inspect, clean and if necessary replace tag axle bearings. This correction will be made at no cost to the owner.

Dealers with coaches in stock inventory MUST make sure this campaign is completed prior to delivery to the customer.

When ordering parts for this recall please contact our parts distribution center (1-800-955-6226 extension 161.) to have needed data tags or spindle plug kit sent to your service facility.

(Spindle Plug Kit # 111005)
(Serial # ID Tag part # 120105)

Enclosed with this dealer letter you will find a copy of the "Customer Letter", "Dealer Stock Coach List" and "Service Bulletin" which includes detailed service instructions.

Foretravel Authorized Service locations unable to make needed repairs due improper tooling or are unqualified to make repairs can also contact Foretravel, Inc. for further instructions on finding qualified repair facilities. You may also contact Foretravel, Inc. to verify that coaches in the range have, or still need the recall performed.

Warranty claims must be filed directly with Foretravel, Inc. When filing or requesting info use labor code # R05V-514.

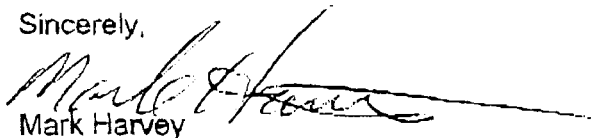
.50 hrs will be allowed for inspection for Dana Serial number ID Tag and recording of serial numbers and inspection of missing spindle plugs on tag axle only and no further action needed.
Note: Tag Axle serial numbers must be recorded on warranty claim for payment.

.50 hrs will be allowed for installation of missing Dana Serial number ID tag. **Note: Serial numbers of installed ID tag must be recorded on warranty claim for payment.**

3.5 hrs per wheel will be allowed for installation of spindle plugs inspection or replacement of wheel bearings, wheel seals and hub cap gasket. **Note: Tag Axle serial numbers must be recorded on warranty claim for payment.**

If you have other questions or need instructions on remedy please call the Foretravel, Inc. warranty/technical department at 1-800-955-6226.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Harvey", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mark Harvey
Foretravel, Inc. Director of Warranty and Customer Assistance
Enclosures:



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Dear Foretravel Owner:

This Notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Reason for this Recall: Foretravel, Inc. has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists on certain 2003, 2005 and 2006 year model Foretravel U320T/U295T/NMBT/PHXT Series Motorhomes, equipped with Ridewell Tag axle assemblies containing Dana T-24 Axles. These vehicles may have a missing axle serial ID Tag and/or axle spindle plug(s). The potential exists for debris to migrate into the oil bearing cup which could increase the risk of fire.

What We Will Do: Foretravel, Inc. with the support of Dana Corporation will repair all affected Tag axle assemblies which will include: Check for proper serial number ID tag and install if necessary. Inspect for and install spindle plugs if needed. If spindle plugs are missing, inspect, clean and if necessary replace tag axle bearings. This correction will be made at no cost to you.

What You Should Do: Contact Foretravel, Inc. as soon as possible for assistance in locating a Qualified Service Facility regarding this no charge Safety Recall Campaign. If your coach requires repair, the labor time to perform this recall will take approximately eight (8) hours. However, additional time may be necessary, depending on how the service facility appointments are scheduled and particular parts availability. Please make the service department aware of additional service items or repair work, and arrange to have more time scheduled for these additions.

Your Authorized Foretravel or Dana service dealer is best equipped to provide this service and to insure that this recall is addressed as promptly as possible. Please make sure to ask if they are aware of this particular Safety Recall Campaign # R05V-514 prior to scheduling a service appointment. If the servicing facility has not been notified about this Safety Recall Campaign, please contact Foretravel, Inc. at 1-800-955-6226 and ask to speak to our warranty/technical support department. A company representative will then either contact your particular servicing facility regarding this Safety Recall Campaign matter, or they will provide you with information regarding where there is an authorized servicing facility that can perform the necessary service correction, if applicable.

If you have already experienced the problem described above and have paid to have it repaired, you may send your original receipts, and/or other adequate proof of payment along with replaced parts to the following address for reimbursement: Foretravel, Inc. Customer Assistance Department, 1221 NW Stallings Drive, Nacogdoches, Texas 75964 Attention: Manager.

If, after contacting your Authorized Foretravel or Dana Service Dealer and Foretravel Inc. Customer Assistance, you are still not able to have the safety defect remedied without charge within a reasonable time, you may wish to write:

The Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration,
400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590; or *call the toll-free Vehicle Safety
Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.*"

If you lease your vehicle, Federal Regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving
this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

We strongly urge you to have this matter corrected as quickly as possible.

As always we value your ownership, and we regret any inconvenience that this may
cause you. We have taken this action in the interest of your safety and continued
satisfaction with your Foretravel motorhome. If you have sold or traded your Foretravel,
please let us know by e-mail at warranty.director@foretravel.com or by calling 1-800-
955-6226; Ext. 237.

Sincerely,

Mark Harvey
Director of Warranty and
Customer Assistance, Foretravel, Inc.

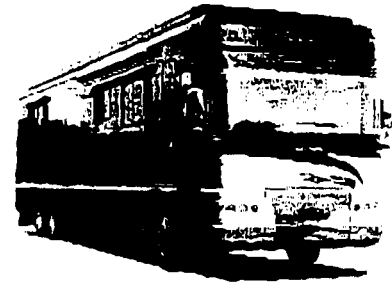
Foretravel Service Bulletin

Date: 12/05/05

Subject: Safety Recall #R05V-514-Dana® Tag Axle Spindle Plug/Serial ID Tag

Bulletin Number: R05V-514

Publishing Number: 101



Units Affected: Unit # range 6111, 6310 – 6358.

Introduction:

Foretravel, Inc. has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on some tag axle assemblies used on one (1) 2003 and forty three (43) 2005 and 2006 year model Foretravel U320T/U295T/NMBT/PHXT Motorhomes, equipped with Ridewell® tag axle assemblies containing Dana® T-24 Axles. These vehicles may have a missing axle serial ID Tag and/or axle spindle plug(s).

Service Requirement:

This correction will be made at no cost to the owner. The remedy will require access and inspection for the Dana® ID serial number tag, recording the appropriate serial number beginning with the letters "HN" followed by eight numbered digits. (EXAMPLE – HN01199237) This tag should be located on the rear of the main beam of the tag axle assembly just above the driveline accessed from the rear of the tag axle tires. If the ID tag is missing it is necessary to install one. Additionally, inspect for and install axle spindle plugs if needed. If spindle plugs are missing, inspect, clean and if necessary replace the tag axle bearings and races.

Service Instructions:

- 1) Find Dana® serial ID Tag and record Serial numbers. If no tag is found contact Foretravel, Inc. warranty/technical department @ 1-800-955-6226 for further instructions.
- 2) Remove chrome hub cap covers.
- 3) Remove the rubber fill plug from the hub oil cap and inspect axle tube to determine if the tube contains a center plug. This will need to be done on each side of the axle.
 - a) If the plug is in place in that wheel position, no further service is necessary.
 - b) If the plug is not in place go on to step 4.
- 4) Block the wheels and ensure parking brake is engaged. Raise coach air bag system for clearance to remove tire and wheel assembly.

WARNING: Be sure to follow all safety instructions including the blocking of wheels and proper lifting and support of axle.

- 5) Jack wheel position that is to be serviced, off the ground. Remove the wheel and tire.
- 6) Refer to BRSM-0034 for disassembly of the disc brake assembly for servicing.
- 7) Use the adjuster to back off the pads from the rotor.
- 8) Remove the pads. Remove the caliper. Remove the hub oil cap and drain the lube.
- 9) Refer to WESM-0060 for hub disassembly instructions.
- 10) Remove retaining nuts, and washers. Remove the outer wheel bearing. Remove the hub from the spindle and drain fluid.
- 11) Using a suitable driver remove the wheel seal and inner bearing from the hub.
- 12) Thoroughly clean the spindle of lube and debris, also check the inside diameter of spindle bore, clean if needed.
- 13) Install the spindle plug M10HG104 into the spindle, using a suitable driver.

NOTE: The plug should be installed to a depth of .500 of an inch, do not install deeper into the spindle.

- 14) Clean the hub cavity of lubricant and flush out any debris.
- 15) Inspect both inner and outer bearing races in the hub, replace if damaged.
- 16) Clean and inspect both inner and outer bearings that were removed, replace if damaged.
- 17) Install inner bearing and seal into the hub. Seal assembly instructions under LMS Assembly section of WESM-0060.
- 18) Refer to WESM-0060 for hub reassembly instructions.
- 19) Install the hub onto the spindle and fill the cavity with lubricant, install the outer bearing and nut. **NOTE:** Use caution

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not to let the hub cock on the spindle before the outer bearing is in place, as this can cause damage to the wheel seal.

20) Seat the bearings by tightening the inner nut to 200 ft. lbs. while rotating the hub.

21) Back off the inner nut one full turn. Rotate the hub.

22) Re-tighten the inner nut to 50 ft. lbs. while rotating the hub.

23) Back off the inner nut ¼ turn.

24) Install the locking spindle washer.

Note: If the dowel pin and washer are not aligned, remove washer, turn it over and reinstall. If required, loosen the inner nut just enough for alignment.

Caution: Never tighten inner nut to align dowel pin hole. This can pre-load the bearing and cause premature bearing failure.

25) Install the outer spindle nut.

26) Install the outer nut and torque to 250 ft. lbs.

27) Verify that the wheel end play is between 0.001" -0.005" using dial indicator. If reading does not fall within this, repeat this procedure.

28) Refer to BRSM-0034 for assembly and adjustment instructions of the disc brake assembly. Install the caliper, torque caliper mounting bolts to backing plate to 350 ft. lbs. Install pads and re-adjust the disc brake.

29) Clean the hub oil cap of lube or debris.

30) Using a new gasket install the hub oil cap and fill to the proper lube level.

31) Install the wheels and tires onto the vehicle and lower the axle to the ground.

32) Recheck lube for proper level and return vehicle to service.

Parts may be obtained by calling Fortravel Dealer Parts at 1-800-955-6226 extension 161.

Spindle Plug Kit - #111005

Included in kit:

2ea - Spindle Plugs Dana® #M10HG104

2ea - Wheel Seals, Dana® # 861

2ea - Inner bearing: Dana®# 99906 or Timken® Ser #403 (#594A-#592A)

2ea - Outer bearing: Dana® #34368 or Federal Mogul® # 580 bearing and Federal Mogul® # 572 cup

2ea - Hub oil cap gasket: # 330-3090 Stemco®

Serial Number ID Tag - #120105

Specialty Tools:

Seal driver – This is a three (3) part driver consisting of: (1)-800T Handle, (1)-861T Plate and (1)-BCT-15 Bearing Centering Tool.

Labor Code:

R05V514

Description:

NHTSA Safety Recall-Tag Axle Spindle Plug/Serial ID Tag

Allowable Labor Repair Time(s):

.50-check and record serial # and check for spindle plugs (no further action necessary)

3.50 per side-Install spindle plug, clean or replace bearings and cups

.50-Install Serial ID tag

Web link address to BRSM-0034

<http://www.roadranger.com/NASApp/cs/BlobServer?blobcol=urldata&blobheader=application%2Fpdf&blobkey=id&blobtable=MungoBlobs&blobwhere=108223532837>

Web link address to WESM-0060

<http://www.roadranger.com/NASApp/cs/BlobServer?blobcol=urldata&blobheader=application%2Fpdf&blobkey=id&blobtable=MungoBlobs&blobwhere=1082235360425>

Dealer Stock List Recall # R05V-514

Please review the coaches with the following VIN numbers.

Dealers are required to perform recall prior to delivery to customer.

<u>Foretravel Of Texas, Inc.</u>	<u>Unit</u>
1F98D54095N054733	6316
1F98D54036N054762	6345

<u>Saddleback RV</u>	<u>Unit</u>
1F98D54075N054729	6312
1F98D54056N054763	6346
1F98D54276N054765	6348
1F98D54066N054769	6352

<u>Tennessee RV</u>	<u>Unit</u>
1F98D54016N054758	6341

<u>Eddys Trailer Sales</u>	<u>Unit</u>
1F98D54005N054751	6334
1F98D54256N054764	6347

<u>Mid America RV</u>	<u>Unit</u>
1F98D54066N054772	6355
1F98D540X6N054774	6357