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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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JO THEART
ENGINEERING COMPLIANCE
AUTOCAR, LLC
5515 WASHINGTON STREET
P.O. BOX 190
HAGERSTOWN IN 47346

NVS-215
06V-100

Subject: STEERING SHAFT

Dear MR. THEART:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

AUTOCAR/WX/2006
AUTOCAR/WXR/2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-100

Mfg's Report Date: March 28, 2006

Components: STEERING: GEAR BOX: SHAFT SECTOR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 19

Summary:

ON CERTAIN HEAVY DUTY CLASS 8 TRUCKS, THE BOLT ON THE STEERING SHAFT MAY NOT BE TIGHTENED TO THE CORRECT SPECIFICATION AND THE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT DUE TO THE LOOSE NUT, THE YOKE BOLT COULD SLIDE OUT PARTIALLY AND LIMIT THE ROTATION ON THE STEERING SHAFT.

Consequence:

THIS COULD RESULT IN A LOSS OF STEERING CONTROL INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE STEERING BOLT AND TIGHTEN IF NECESSARY FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON APRIL 20, 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT AUTOCAR AT 1-765-489-5499.

Notes:

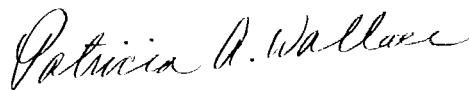
AUTOCAR RECALL NO. A-0602. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

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 required 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 on April 20, 2006. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before July 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,



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