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NVS-215
06V-276

Subject: AXLE FAILURES/DEXTER

Dear MR. BENSMAN:

This letter is to acknowledge the recent defect information report submitted on behalf of your client, Airstream, Inc. 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:
AIRSTREAM/CLASSIC/2006-2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-276

Mfg's Report Date: July 5, 2006

Components: SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

Potential Number of Units Affected: 22

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRAVEL TRAILERS EQUIPPED WITH DEXTER AXLES, THE DISC BRAKE CALIPER MOUNTING BOLTS ARE STRIPPED. INSUFFICIENT CLAMP LOAD BETWEEN CALIPER AND YOKE CAN CAUSE THE CALIPER TO DISASSEMBLE AND ADVERSELY AFFECT THE TRAILERS BRAKING SYSTEM.

Consequence:

LOSS OF BRAKING CAN INCREASE THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEXTER HAS MODIFIED THE REMEDY FOR THESE VEHICLES (PLEASE SEE 06E029). A NEW LARGER CALIPER MOUNTING NUT WILL BE INSTALLED. FOR MORE INFORMATION YOU MAY CONTACT DEXTER AXLE AT 1-800-400-2164 OR AIRSTREAM AT 1-937-596-6111, EXT. 7418 OR 7400.

Notes:

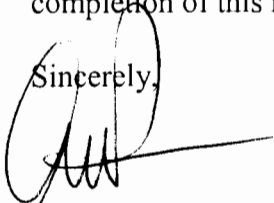
CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV).

This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ06-006, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

As stated in your report, Dexter will be conducting the owner notification, remedy, and quarterly reporting for this campaign. However, please be advised if Dexter's campaign is not satisfactorily handled, the agency will require you to renotify owners.

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,



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cc: Terry Coleman
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Airstream, Inc.