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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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MASTERCRAFT BOAT COMPANY INC
105 CHEROKEE COVE DRIVE
VONORE TN 37885

NVS-215
06V-335

Subject: 14 INCH WHEELS

Dear MR. TEMPLETON:

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:

MASTERCRAFT/B2/2007
MASTERCRAFT/C6/2007
MASTERCRAFT/D3/2007
MASTERCRAFT/D4/2007
MASTERCRAFT/D6/2007
MASTERCRAFT/E1/2007
MASTERCRAFT/F2/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-335

Mfg's Report Date: August 30, 2006

Components: WHEELS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 174

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TANDEM-AXLE BOAT TRAILERS EQUIPPED WITH 14 INCH WHEELS, FAILURE OF THE WHEEL TO SEAT PROPERLY AND SECURELY ON THE WHEEL HUB CAN OCCUR. THIS CAN CAUSE THE LUG NUTS TO BECOME LOOSE EVEN AFTER BEING TIGHTENED TO THE PROPER TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS.

Consequence:

LOOSENING OF THE LUG NUTS COULD RESULT IN THE EVENTUAL LOSS OF ONE OR MORE OF THE NUTS AND/OR WOBBLING OF THE WHEEL WHILE IN MOTION WHICH WOULD PROGRESSIVELY WORSEN AND COULD LEAD TO SHEARING OF THE LUG BOLTS AND/OR LOSS OF THE LUG NUTS, EITHER OF WHICH WOULD RESULT IN LOSS OF THE WHEEL. IF THIS OCCURRED DURING TRANSIT, LOSS OF A WHEEL COULD RESULT IN LOSS OF CONTROL OF THE TOW VEHICLE, ESPECIALLY WHEN HAULING A BOAT ON THE TRAILER, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND REPLACE THE WHEEL IF NECESSARY. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE FOR THIS CAMPAIGN. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MASTERCRAFT AT 1-423-884-2221

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).

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

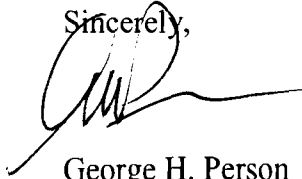
You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners as soon as it becomes available.

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 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).

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@dot.gov or delia.lopez@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Person', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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