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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215
06V-377

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AM GENERAL LLC
31744 ENTERPRISE DRIVE
LIVONIA MI 48151-3330

Subject: STEERING GEAR

Dear MR. DOWELL:

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:
HUMMER/H11/2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-377

Mfg's Report Date: September 26, 2006

Components: STEERING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 25

Summary:

CERTAIN VEHICLES WERE ASSEMBLED WITH AN INCORRECT COMBINATION OF STEERING-GEAR-TO-FRAME ATTACHMENT HARDWARE.

Consequence:

THIS CONDITION MAY RESULT IN STEERING GEAR LOOSENING AND, POSSIBLE SEPARATION FROM THE FRAME. IF THIS HAPPENS, THERE WILL BE A COMPLETE LOSS OF VEHICLE STEERING WHICH COULD RESULT IN A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND CORRECT, IF NECESSARY, THE VEHICLE FOR THE PROPER STEERING GEAR HARDWARE ASSEMBLY. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING OCTOBER 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT AM GENERAL AT 1-800-638-8303.

Notes:

AM GENERAL RECALL NO. AMG R0601. CUSTOMERS CAN 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).

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it needs some changes.

Please change the word 'determined' to 'decided' in the second sentence.

Please add the risk at the end of the "The problem is..." paragraph, i.e., "...If this happens, there will be a complete loss of vehicle steering which could result in a crash."

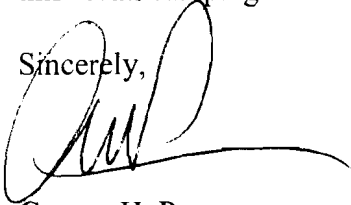
Please revise your owner letters to include the following updated NHTSA hotline information: "...the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>."

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).

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 during October 2006. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before January 30, 2007.

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