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Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590
FAX: 202-366-7882

Re: **Noncompliance Information Report**

On April 28, 2006 Home & Park Motorhomes concluded that a noncompliance exists which relates to the installation of a Chevrolet "bow tie" decal component attached to the steering wheel on Roadtrek class "B" motorhomes built in the last 3 years and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

- 1. Manufacturer: Home & Park Motorhomes
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100 Shirley Ave.
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- Designated Agent: Joe Cecconi Sr.
Joe Cecconi's Chrysler Complex
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Niagara Falls, NY, 13404

- Manufacturer's Contact Person: Alex Nastasescu P.Eng.
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- 2. Vehicles affected by this defect are 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 class "B" motorhomes Roadtrek models, built on Chevrolet 2500 and 3500 van chassis. (A complete list of VINs for units which may be affected is available).
- 3. A total of 736 vehicles may contain the noncompliance. The vehicles are equipped with a Chevrolet "bow tie" (logo) decal attached to the steering wheel.
- 4. It is estimated that 60% of the total population can have the noncompliance. The recall will cover 100% of the units built by Home & Park Motorhomes using the dash trim kits on 2003 through 2006 Chevrolet vans, from July 2003, to April 28 2006 when the decal installation was discontinued.

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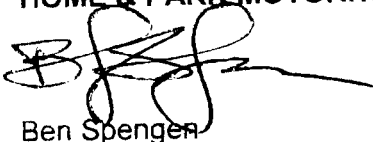


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5. As part of the Roadtrek motorhome build process, select models are equipped with a decorative dash trim kit. The trim kit supplied by the manufacturer (Sherwood Dash Limited, Brampton ON), included a Chevrolet "bow tie" steering wheel decal. This adhesive backed synthetic trim is attached to the dash, engine cover, door panel and the Chevrolet "bow tie" decal is attached to the steering wheel (directly over the existing bow tie impression). This decal could affect the deployment of the air bag safety restraint built into the steering wheel. In the event of a vehicle crash in which the driver side air bag is deployed, the resulting functionality of the air bag is uncertain, thus occupant protection can be compromised.
6. The determination of the noncompliance is based on a change made by the supplier of the dash trim kit which included the Chevrolet "bow tie" decal. Although previous kits in use may not have included the Chevrolet "bow tie" decal, the recall population includes all units with the said dash trim package. We are not aware of reports of accidents or injuries related to the noncompliance at this time.
7. All vehicles will have the steering wheel decal removed. This can be accomplished by dealers and owners by simply freeing a corner of the decal, and peeling it off.
8. The owners and dealers of the affected vehicles will be notified by mail and phone in the next few weeks. A draft copy of the notification documents is attached for your review.

Yours truly,

HOME & PARK MOTORHOMES



Ben Spenger
Service, Warranty and Parts Manager

cc: Jeff Hanemaayer, President & CEO
Jim Hammill, General Manager
Paul Cassidy, Sales Manager
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Joe Cecconi Sr., Designated Agent

May 2006

To: **SERVICE DEPARTMENT**
All US Home & Park Motorhomes dealers

From: **Ben Spengen, Service, Warranty and Parts Manager**

RE: **Notice of Recall 2006-02 – Chevrolet “bow tie” decal on steering wheel**

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

Home & Park Motorhomes has decided that a noncompliance which relates to motor vehicle safety standards exists in Roadtrek class 'B' Motorhomes manufactured on Chevrolet 2500 and 3500 chassis between July 2003 and April 2006.

The noncompliance relates to the Chevrolet “bow tie” (logo) decal attached to the steering wheel as part of the dash trim kit. This decal could affect the deployment of the air bag safety restraint built into the steering wheel. In the event of a vehicle crash in which the driver side air bag is deployed, the resulting functionality of the air bag is uncertain, thus occupant protection can be compromised.

Corrective action requires the removal of the Chevrolet “bow tie” decal on the steering wheel. This can be accomplished by simply freeing a corner of the decal, and peeling it off. For more information contact our Service and Warranty department toll free at 1-888-ROADTREK (762-3873).

If this notification is inadequate or the corrections are not made in accordance with this notification within 60 days, you may advise 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>.

For affected vehicles that are in your inventory or have been sold by your dealership for which we have not received registration, notices are enclosed for your action. For affected vehicles which may in service under a lease contract, you are required to forward a copy of this recall notice to the lessee within 10 days. You are requested to carry out the corrective action and complete the recall form prior to delivery.

We regret any inconvenience these actions may cause.

cc: All factory sales staff
cc: All regional sales managers