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Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street SW
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Associate Administrator:

Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 573, Monaco Coach Corporation ("Monaco" or the "Company") is submitting this report to NHTSA concerning a safety recall campaign, which is being voluntarily initiated. Specific information is as follows:

573.5(c)(2)

The affected vehicles include the following Class A Motorhomes:

Monaco: 2007 Monarch (1), 2006 Monarch SE (82) and 2006-2007 Lapalma (47)

Holiday Rambler: 2006-2007 Vacationer (51) and 2006 Admiral SE (108)

Safari: 2006 Simba (49) and 2006-2007 Trek (37)

The affected motorhomes were manufactured from June 15, 2005 through May 9, 2006.

573.5(c)(3)

A total of **three hundred seventy-five (375)** Class A motorhomes are in the recall population for the United States.

573.5(c)(4)

Monaco Coach Corporation is unaware of the amount of vehicles that actually contain the defect. However, from the information provided by Workhorse Custom Chassis, Workhorse believes that only a small number of vehicles in the recall population actually contain the defect and will require the repair.

The recall population was determined from VIN records supplied by Workhorse Custom Chassis with a total of 404 chassis. Which of 3 were sold to Gulfstream, 7 are raw chassis, and 19 were exported which leaves 375 for the US NHTSA recall. The 375 were compiled from the manufacturing records for the Company's manufacturing facilities in Wakarusa, Indiana and Coburg, Oregon which produced the affected vehicles.

573.5(c)(5)

Monaco Coach Corporation received documents from Workhorse Custom Chassis notifying us of a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety may exist on the steering system of certain 2005 and 2006 W20/22/24 Series Motorhome Chassis. Workhorse Custom Chassis decided that an incorrect steering intermediate shaft may have been installed on some of the subject chassis during the relevant production period. The incorrect part (W0007621) has a finer pitch spline than the correct part (W0000450). Use of the incorrect part may cause the spline not to match correctly with the corresponding steering gear input shaft. On vehicles equipped with the incorrect part, the spline can strip if the steering wheel is turned with a significant amount of force and could cause the shaft to become loose at the steering box during tight steering maneuvers. The force required to strip the spline is more than ordinary users will experience. This failure is likely only to occur when the vehicle is stopped or during tight turning maneuvers at very low speeds. This condition may result in a loss of steering control.

573.5(c)(6)

Monaco Coach Corporation received an email in the late afternoon of June 12, 2006, from Melinda Welch at Workhorse Custom Chassis with a copy of the Workhorse Service Bulletin 20601-C, owner letter, and Monaco VIN's included. Monaco created a scope of potential units from the VIN information provided by Workhorse. Monaco Coach Corporation is currently not aware of any casualties or losses related to this issue.

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The Company relied upon Workhorse for testing of the operation of the steering system and the intermediate steering shaft in Workhorse chassis supplied to Monaco.

573.5(c)(8)

Workhorse states that service procedure for this recall requires inspection of the steering intermediate shaft to determine if the correct part was installed. If an incorrect shaft is identified as installed, it should be replaced with the correct part and torque pinch bolt to 3-40 ft-lbs. A Workhorse Custom Chassis dealer will conduct this service procedure at no charge to the customer.

Workhorse Custom Chassis should have forwarded you the owner and dealer letters and their repair instructions. Workhorse will be conducting this recall and reporting quarterly to NHTSA. Monaco Coach Corporation will be supplying Workhorse with an updated owner and address list of information.

Please acknowledge receipt of this defect information report and provide the recall number that will be assigned by NHTSA to this campaign.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Michael Atkinson
Recall Administrator
Monaco Coach Corporation