

Safety Recall Notice *T@B Travel Trailers With Atwood Furnace*

Dear Customer:

This **Safety Recall Notice** is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act and is **critical to your safety**.

Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc. has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain T@B® brand travel trailers manufactured in Bristol, Indiana between June 2003 and December 2006. Vehicle identification numbers (VIN numbers) for the affected models will end with six digits between 700000 and 702440. The VIN number is located on the front left side of the trailer.

Trailers built during this period **may not have an exterior exhaust vent** for the optional Atwood furnace model #7912-II DCLP6AS. Our records indicate that **your T@B® brand travel trailer** was manufactured during this time period and contains an Atwood furnace that may have this installation defect. Other trailer models manufactured by Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc. during this time period are not included in this recall even if the trailer contains an Atwood furnace.

The lack of a furnace exhaust vent will allow exhaust fumes containing combustion products, including high concentrations of **potentially lethal carbon monoxide gas**, to enter into the trailer and **could result in injury or death** to occupants of the trailer whether awake or sleeping.

Before you use your trailer again, it is **very important for your safety** to follow the simple "Furnace Exhaust Vent Inspection Procedure" included with this letter to assure the furnace exhaust vent is present and is properly installed on your trailer. Until you perform this inspection and until the defect, if present, is corrected, **do not use the furnace because the risk could be life threatening when the furnace is in use.**

If you believe the defect is present on your RV or if you are not sure of how to inspect the furnace exhaust vent, call Dutchmen immediately at 866-869-1109 for assistance in getting the furnace exhaust vent installation inspected or corrected.

To assure your safety, Dutchmen needs to know that you have completed the inspection of your trailer.

Please **complete the enclosed pink "Inspection Results Reply Letter"** and send it to Dutchmen in the pre-stamped return envelope.

Also, please **call Dutchmen toll-free:**

- To report a defect in your furnace vent or to ask for assistance, call **866-869-1109**.
- To report your furnace vent is installed correctly, call **866-869-1110**.

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If you take your RV to a dealer, the inspection or the repair of the defect will be done at no charge to you. If there is a defect present on your RV, the time to perform the repair will take less than 1.5 hours. However, your dealer may require you to leave your trailer for a longer period of time to allow scheduling at their facility.

If the defect referred to above has been repaired on your trailer prior to receipt of this recall notice, and if you incurred any direct cost in connection with obtaining such repair, you may receive reimbursement from Dutchmen. In order to obtain a reimbursement, you must submit the following information:

- (1) your name and mailing address;
- (2) the Vehicle Identification Number for your trailer;
- (3) a reference to this recall campaign 06V491; and
- (4) a copy of the receipt or invoice for the repair.

This reimbursement may be obtained by sending your request for reimbursement along with the information referred to above to Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc., 2164 Caragana Ct., Goshen, IN 46526-9149.

We have notified the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of this recall and the procedures involved. Should Dutchmen fail or be unable to correct the defect without charge, you may write to Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the toll free Auto Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236.

Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to lessee within 10 days.

If you have questions concerning this recall or need assistance with the inspection procedure or the scheduling of the repair with a Dutchmen (T@B) dealer, please contact the Dutchmen Warranty/Service Department by email at warranty@dutchmenmfg.com or by phone at **866-869-1109**. We are sorry to cause this inconvenience; however, we have taken this action in the interest of your safety and continued satisfaction with our trailers.

Sincerely,



Robert Ries
Director of Quality Assurance



Kelly Green
Director of Parts, Service and Warranty

Re: NHTSA Recall No. 06V-491
Transport Canada Recall No. 06-368

Inspection Results Reply Letter

Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc.
2164 Caragana Ct.
Goshen, IN 46526-9149

{Customer Name}
{Address}
{Address}

NHTSA Recall No. 06V-491
Transport Canada Recall No. 06-368

Dear Customer **{customer name}**;

January 9, 2007

Please complete this reply letter, enclose it in the pre-stamped envelope, and return it to Dutchmen.

A. Please answer the following three questions:

1. Did you locate a furnace exhaust vent similar to this picture or to the pictures in the Furnace Exhaust Vent Inspection Procedure? Yes No
2. Do hot exhaust gases escape from the vent when the furnace is on? Yes No
3. Do you need further assistance from Dutchmen? Yes No



B. Your name, address, and telephone number are on file as shown below:

If any information is incorrect, please fill in your new address and telephone number below so Dutchmen may contact you about this or other safety recalls. Dutchmen will not use your address or telephone number for any other purpose than safety recall or warranty assistance for you.

Existing Information

{Customer Name}

{Customer address}

{Customer address}

{Customer telephone number}

Updated Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

C. The VIN number of your RV is {VIN Number}.

When you call Dutchmen, please reference this **Unit Number: {Unit Number}**.

D. If you sold, gifted, or traded your RV, please indicate below who now owns the RV:

New Owner's Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____

I do not know this information, but I no longer own the RV.

E. Please sign and return to Dutchmen in the enclosed pre-stamped envelope. Also, remember to call the toll free number on the back of this reply letter.

Your Name _____ Today's Date: _____

Summary of what you need to do:

A. Inspect your furnace vent or call toll-free *866-869-1109*.

B. If the furnace vent appears to be installed and operating correctly:

1. Call Dutchmen toll-free at ***866-869-1110*** and report that everything appears to be correct with your furnace vent.
2. Complete the other side of this letter and return in the enclosed pre-stamped envelope.

C. If the furnace vent is not present or does not appear to be correct:

1. **Do NOT use the furnace in your RV.**
2. **Call Dutchmen toll-free at *866-869-1109*.**

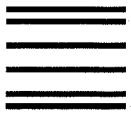
Dutchmen will assist you to provide an authorized RV repair facility for correct the defect in your furnace vent.

D. If you need assistance with this recall:

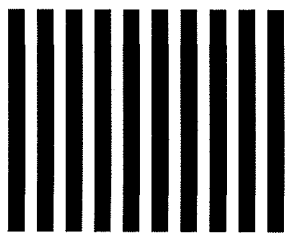
1. **Do NOT use the furnace in your RV.**
2. **Call Dutchmen toll-free at *866-869-1109*.**

Dutchmen will provide information to help you with the inspection or will assist you in obtaining an inspection or repair at an authorized RV repair facility.

Please complete the other side of this reply letter and return it to Dutchmen in the enclosed pre-stamped envelope.



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GOSHEN, INDIANA 46526

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