

NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

Quarterly Defect Report

Required per 49 CFR Part 573.6

Report Date: **October 6, 2006**

Calendar Quarter: **3**

Safety Recall Quarterly Report from **March 29, 2006 through September 30, 2006**

Manufacturer: **Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.**

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Recall Subject: **2006 Prowler, Wilderness, Terry Travel Trailer - Quality Axle Wheel Stud**

1. NHTSA Safety Recall Campaign Number: 06V-060

Also, for completeness, if your company has assigned a code number to this campaign, please provide your code: **60227**

2. (a) The date notification to purchasers began:

1st mailing: **March 29, 2006**

2nd mailing: **July 12, 2006**

(b) The date the 3rd notification to purchasers was completed:

3. The Total Number of Vehicles Involved: 21

The total number of vehicles involved in the subject campaign (including all items sold or distributed to purchasers, dealers, distributors, and similar entities beyond the immediate control of the manufacturer/importer).

Number of items returned from inventory or remedied prior to sale: **0**

Includes (a) the total number of items returned from manufacturer, distributor, dealer or retailer inventory or (b) otherwise remedied prior to sale to consumers. Do not include this number in 4 (a) or 4 (b).

4. (a) Total Number Inspected & Remedied: 13

Total number of vehicles which were inspected and/or otherwise repaired or remedied.

(b) Total Number Inspected & NOT REQUIRING REMEDY: 6

Total number of vehicles involved in the recall and inspected, but determined to NOT REQUIRE REMEDIAL or recall repair work.

5. Vehicles determined to be UNREACHABLE

Total Number Exported: **0**

Total Number Stolen: **0**

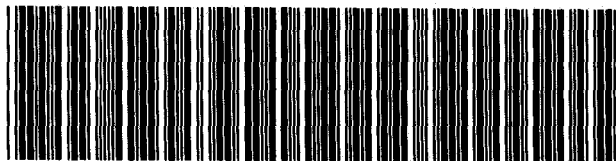
Total Number Scrapped: **0**

Total Number Unable to Notify: **0**

Total Number Otherwise Unreachable: **0**

Describe Other:

RECALL DOCUMENT



RCQPR-06V193-9242

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Pursuant to Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations - Defect and Noncompliance Reports, Collins Bus Corporation is submitting information relating to a safety recall we are conducting. Specific information is as follows:

573.6(b)(1)

This is the third quarter report regarding Recall Number **06V-193**.

573.6(b)(2)

The initial notification began and completed June 22, 2006 by certified mail.

573.6(b)(3)

The recall involves 23 (twenty three) Collins school buses manufactured between June 10th, 2005 and September 28th, 2005 at the South Hutchinson, Kansas assembly plant. The vehicles are identified as "Bantam", "Super Bantam" or "Grand Bantam" school bus models equipped with Model S20005 wheelchair lifts manufactured by the Ricon Corporation which may potentially contain a defect. The potential defect is the result of a welding process that may not have achieved full penetration along the seam of the weld. Through testing and analysis Ricon has determined that weld with less than full penetration will exhibit signs of cracking along the exterior portion of the vertical arm (s). This will be most visible when the lift is in the stowed position since this is when the weld joint is in tension. Signs of cracking may not be visible when the platform is at floor level or below or is occupied because the weld joint is in compression at this time. Ricon is not certain how many cycles it takes for the problem to surface. However, once a weld joint cracks, the lift will become difficult to stow or deploy. During these operations the lift will typically twist to one side and often hit the door frame of the vehicle. When stowed, the lift will typically lean into the vehicle more than normal. Both conditions are easily noticed by a driver or attendant.

573.6(b)(4)

To date, we have received confirmation that 16 (sixteen) busses have been inspected and no cracks found. No buses have been repaired and 6 (six) buses have not yet been inspected.

573.6(b)(5)

To date, we have determined no buses to be unreachable for inspection.

Should you need further information, my contact information is as follows:

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Sincerely,

COLLINS BUS CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Gladow", written over a horizontal line.

Steve Gladow
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