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**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

*January 24, 2007*

MICHAEL ATKINSON  
RECALL ADMINISTRATOR  
MONACO COACH CORPORATION  
1809 WEST HIVELEY AVENUE; PLANT 6  
ELKHART IN 46517

NVS-215  
07V-010

Subject: TOW HITCH FAILURE

Dear MR. ATKINSON:

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:**

HOLIDAY RAMBLER/ADMIRAL/2001-2002  
HOLIDAY RAMBLER/ADMIRAL SE/2002-2003  
HOLIDAY RAMBLER/ENDEAVOR/2001-2002  
HOLIDAY RAMBLER/VACATIONER/2001-2003  
MONACO/LAPALMA/2001-2003  
MONACO/MONARCH/2001-2002  
MONACO/MONARCH SE/2002-2003

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 07V-010

**Mfg's Report Date:** December 21, 2006

**Components:** TRAILER HITCHES

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 2,086

**Summary:**

ON CERTAIN CLASS A MOTOR HOMES, THE FRAME EXTENSION LOWER FLANGE MAY CRACK ALLOWING THE HITCH TO BEND AND POSSIBLY SEPARATE FROM THE MOTOR HOME.

**Consequence:**

THIS COULD RESULT IN SEPARATION OF THE TOWED VEHICLE.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL ADD AN ADDITION OF TWO PIECES OF ANGLE STEEL TO THE FRAME EXTENSION AND HITCH MOUNTING POINT IN ORDER TO REINFORCE THE FRAME EXTENSION FLANGE FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JANUARY. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MONACO AT 877-466-6226.

**Notes:**

MONACO RECALL NO. R02206. CUSTOMERS MAY 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).

This recall was the subject of a Preliminary Evaluation, PE06-047, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

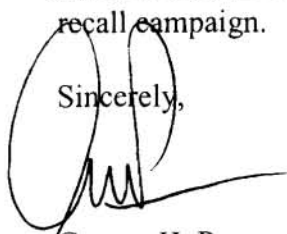
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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 required 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 January 2007. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before April 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](mailto:patricia.wallace@dot.gov) or [delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:delia.lopez@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement