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**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

*February 14, 2007*

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COUNTRY COACH INC  
135 EAST FIRST AVENUE  
JUNCTION CITY OR 97448

NVS-215dgl  
07V-037

Subject: FRONT AIR BRAKE HOSES

Dear MR. SABATH:

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:**  
COUNTRY COACH/INTRIGUE/2007

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 07V-037

**Mfg's Report Date:** January 11, 2007

**Components:** SERVICE BRAKES, AIR

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 51

**Summary:**

CERTAIN MOTOR HOMES EQUIPPED WITH TUTHILL 1660 INDEPENDENT FRONT SUSPENSION HAVE FRONT AIR BRAKE HOSES THAT COULD POTENTIALLY BE CHAFFED AND RUBBED BY THE STEER AXLE TIRES OR CHASSIS COMPONENTS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

**Consequence:**

THESE CONDITIONS CAN POTENTIALLY RESULT IN THE LOSS OF BRAKING INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL RE-ROUTE AND SECURE THE BRAKE HOSES FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING FEBRUARY 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT COUNTRY COACH AT 800-547-8015.

**Notes:**

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).

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

Please provide us with the beginning and ending dates for the build date range of motor homes affected by this recall.

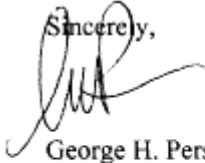
You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification 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 required by 49 CFR Part 577.13(b), "Notification to Dealers and Distributors," the notification to dealers and distributors of a safety-related defect or a noncompliance with a Federal motor vehicle safety standard shall contain an advisory stating that it is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by the notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied. Please make sure that your dealer notice contains this advisory.

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 February 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Person', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

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