



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215dgl
08V-273

Subject: FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION LABEL/FMVSS 120

Dear MR. ATKINSON:

This letter serves to acknowledge Monaco Coach Corporation's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 120, "Tire Selection and Rims," in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

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/ALUMASCAPE/2009
HOLIDAY RAMBLER/PRESIDENTIAL/2009

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-273

Mfg's Report Date: June 19, 2008

Components: EQUIPMENT: OTHER: LABELS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 22

Summary:

MONACO IS RECALLING 22 MY 2009 ALUMASCAPE FIFTH WHEEL, ALUMASCAPE SUITE AND PRESIDENTIAL TRAVEL TRAILERS. THESE TRAILERS FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 120, "TIRE SELECTION AND RIMS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES OTHER THAN PASSENGER CARS." WHEN TIRES WERE CHANGED ON THESE VEHICLES, THE FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION LABEL WAS PRINTED WITH INCORRECT INFORMATION. THE TIRE INFLATION IS LISTED AS 80 PSI WHEN THE CORRECT PRESSURE SHOULD BE 65 PSI.

Consequence:

OVER INFLATED TIRES COULD CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTE TO PREMATURE TIRE FAILURE; POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A SUDDEN BLOWOUT OR OTHER FAILURE WHICH COULD RESULT IN A LOSS OF CONTROL OF THE UNIT INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL MAIL CONSUMERS THE CORRECTED LABELS ALONG WITH INSTRUCTIONS. CUSTOMERS WILL HAVE THE OPTION FOR DEALERS TO INSTALL THE LABEL FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JUNE 2008. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MONACO AT 1-800-685-6545.

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).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

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

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 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. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

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, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@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 be 'G. Person', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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