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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215paw
08V-610

SUBJECT: POWER STEERING HOSE

DEAR MS. GAGNON:

This letter serves to acknowledge Prevost's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect 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:

PREVOST/XL2-45/2007-2009
PREVOST/XL2-45E/2007-2009
PREVOST/X3-45/2007-2009

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-610

Mfg's Report Date: November 14, 2008

Components: STEERING: HYDRAULIC POWER ASSIST: HOSE, PIPING,
AND CONNECTIONS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 395

Summary:

PREVOST IS RECALLING 395 MY 2007-2009 XL2-45, XL2-45E, AND X3-45 MOTOR HOMES AND MOTOR COACHES. ON SOME VEHICLES, THE POWER STEERING HOSE PROTECTIVE SKIN HAS BEEN DAMAGED AT ASSEMBLY, LEAVING THE METAL BRAIDING EXPOSED TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

Consequence:

OVER TIME, THE METALLIC BRAIDING MAY RUST UP TO A POINT WHERE THE HOSE WILL GIVE UP UNDER PRESSURE. THIS COULD RESULT IN A LOSS OF CONTROL INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPAIR THE POWER STEERING HOSE ASSEMBLY. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING NOVEMBER 2008. OWNERS MAY CONTACT PREVOST AT 1-418-831-5432.

Notes:

PREVOST RECALL NO. SR08-22. 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).

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 read "G. Person", written in a cursive style.

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