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Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Associate Administrator:

Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 573, Monaco Coach Corporation ("Monaco" or the "Company") is submitting this report to NHTSA concerning a safety recall campaign, which is being voluntarily initiated. Specific information is as follows:

573.6(c)(2)

The affected vehicles include the following Class A Motorhomes with the inverter option:

Monaco: Monarch, Lapalma Rear Gas and Lapalma Diesel

Holiday Rambler: Admiral, Vacationer Rear Gas and Vacationer Diesel

Safari: Simba

The build date range of the affected motorhomes will be determined at a later date.

573.6(c)(3)

The total recall population is 811 vehicles. The breakdown of the population for the United States and Canada will be determined at a later date.

573.6(c)(4)

All of the motorhomes in the recall population with the inverter option will require the repair.

The recall population will be determined from the manufacturing records for the Company's manufacturing facility in Wakarusa, Indiana which produced the affected motorhomes.

573.6(c)(5)

The motorhomes in the recall population have an optional inverter that is not protected by a fuse as the result of a production error. The fuse should be installed in the battery compartment in the rear of the passenger side of the motorhome between the battery source and the inverter. The inverter is to be a protected appliance by code requirement. With no fuse installed, a vehicle fire may result from a failure of the inverter.

573.6(c)(6)

Monaco received a customer inquiry concerning the location of the fuse. A follow-up audit by production and engineering determined that the fuse was not installed between the 12 volt power supply and the inverter. Monaco is currently not aware of any casualties or losses related to this issue.

573.6(c)(8)

Monaco will be sending a notification letter to all current owners of motorhomes in the recall population. The remedy will be to install a 125A fuse to protect the inverter. This repair will be performed for the owner at no charge.

Copies of the drafts of owner and dealer notification letters will be supplied in the future for your approval. Repair instructions and final owner and dealer notification letters will be provided pending approval and recall number. The Company expects owner and dealer notification to begin in late April/early May 2008.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Atkinson".

Michael Atkinson
Recall Administrator
Monaco Coach Corporation