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COACHMEN RECREATIONAL VEHICLE COMPANY, LLC

June 23, 2008

Director, Office of Defects Investigation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh St., S.W.
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Part # 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report – Coachmen Recreational Vehicle Company, LLC. – Dometic Corporation Refrigerators Recall # 08E032

Dear Mr. Person;

Coachmen Recreational Vehicle Company, LLC (Coachmen) has received notification from Dometic Corporation (Dometic) regarding a recall campaign they are conducting (NHTSA # 08E032) pertaining to a potential safety defect in some of their two-door refrigerators that may have been installed in some of our recreational vehicles. Their notification states that this is an expansion of their previous recall announced in August of 2006.

A total of 37293 Coachmen recreational vehicles are affected by this recall. These recreational vehicles were manufactured by Coachmen between June 2003 and February 2007. A complete list of the affected models is enclosed with this letter.

DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT

Dometic's notification states the following:

“After some period of use, a fatigue crack may develop in the boiler tube of the covered refrigerators that may release a sufficient amount of pressurized coolant solution in to an area where an ignition source may be present. Potential ignition sources in this area include the refrigerator’s propane burner and/or electric heating element. If this were to occur under certain conditions, the coolant could ignite and result in a fire.”

DISCOVERY OF THE DEFECT

Coachmen received formal notification from Dometic concerning their new recall campaign on Friday, June 20, 2008.

PRECLUSION OF POTENTIAL DEFECT

Dometic will provide owners of all covered refrigerators a rework for the potential defect at no charge for parts or labor.

Dometic has arranged to conduct a recall to remedy the potential defect in Coachmen vehicles at no charge to vehicle owners. See Recall No. 08E-032. We will provide them with the vehicle owner information for use in their mailing campaign, and understand that they will be submitting all further required reports to NHTSA directly. Pursuant to 49 CFR 573.6(c)(8)(i) and 573.13, owners will be advised that Dometic will reimburse them if they have incurred costs to obtain a remedy for a refrigerator containing such a defect prior to their receipt of the notification. Coachmen recognizes that as a final stage vehicle manufacture it remains responsible for the successful completion of the recall campaign.

If you have any questions, or require further information, please advise.

Very Truly Yours,

COACHMEN RECREATIONAL VEHICLE COMPANY, LLC.



Gary L. Duncan

Enclosed: Attachment "A" - "List of Coachmen Recreational Vehicles Potentially Affected by Dometic Recall # 08E-032"

Cc: Michael Terlep, Jr. - Coachmen Recreational Vehicle Company LLC

Attachment "A"

List of Coachmen Recreational Vehicles Potentially Affected by Dometic Recall # 08E-032

Breakdown by Model Year		Breakdown by Model	
Model Year	Model Name and Type	Model Name and Type	Model Years
2003	Somerset Dreamcatcher FWT	Adrenaline Fifth Wheel Trailer	2006-2008
2004	Aurora Motorhome	Adrenaline Travel Trailer	2006-2007
	Capri Travel Trailer	Aurora Motorhome	2004-2007
	Captiva Travel Trailer	Capri Micro Travel Trailer	2007
	Cascade Travel Trailer	Capri Travel Trailer	2004-2007
	Catalina Lite Travel Trailer	Captiva Travel Trailer	2004-2007
	Catalina Travel Trailer	Cascade Travel Trailer	2004-2006
	Chaparral Travel Trailer	Catalina Fifth Wheel Trailer	2005
	Cheyenne Motorhome	Catalina Lite Travel Trailer	2004
	Concord Motorhome	Catalina Travel Trailer	2004-2005
	Cross Country Motorhome	Chaparral Fifth Wheel Trailer	2005-2007
	Cross Country Special Edition MH	Chaparral Travel Trailer	2004-2007
	Freedom Motorhome	Cheyenne Motorhome	2004
	Freelander Motorhome	Concord Motorhome	2004-2007
	Freeport Motorhome	Cross Country Motorhome	2004-2007
	Leprechaun Motorhome	Cross Country Special Edition MH	2004-2006
	Mirada Liberty Edition Motorhome	Epic Motorhome	2006-2007
	Mirada Motorhome	Freedom Motorhome	2004-2008
	Oasis Travel Trailer	Freelander Motorhome	2004-2008
	Rendezvous Motorhome		
	Revere Motorhome		
	Roadmaster Motorhome		
	Santara Motorhome		
	Somerset Dreamcatcher FWT		
	Spirit of America Travel Trailer		
	Sportscoach Legend Motorhome		
2005	Aurora Motorhome		
	Capri Travel Trailer		
	Captiva Travel Trailer		
	Cascade Travel Trailer		
	Catalina Fifth Wheel Trailer		
	Catalina Travel Trailer		
	Chaparral Fifth Wheel Trailer		
	Chaparral Travel Trailer		
	Concord Motorhome		

Breakdown by Model Year	
Model Year	Model Name and Type
	Cross Country Motorhome
	Cross Country Special Edition MH
	Freedom Motorhome
	Freelander Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Bellagio Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Cruise Air XL MH
	Georgie Boy Cruise Master LE MH
	Georgie Boy Cruise Master MH
	Georgie Boy Landau Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Pursuit Motorhome
	Leprechaun Motorhome
	Mirada Motorhome
	Santara Motorhome
	Somerset Fifth Wheel Trailer
	Spirit of America Travel Trailer
	Sportscoach Encore Motorhome
	Sportscoach Legend Motorhome

Breakdown by Model	
Model Name and Type	Model Years
Georgie Boy Bellagio Motorhome	2005
Georgie Boy Cruise Air XL Motorhome	2005-2006
Georgie Boy Cruise Master Limited Edit	2005-2006
Georgie Boy Cruise Master Motorhome	2005-2006
Georgie Boy Landau Motorhome	2005-2007
Georgie Boy Maverick Motorhome	2006-2008
Georgie Boy Pursuit Motorhome	2005-2007
Grand Haven Travel Trailer	2007
Leprechaun Motorhome	2004-2007

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Model Year	Model Name and Type
2006	Adrenaline Fifth Wheel Trailer
	Adrenaline Travel Trailer
	Aurora Motorhome
	Capri Travel Trailer
	Captiva Travel Trailer
	Cascade Travel Trailer
	Chaparral Fifth Wheel Trailer
	Chaparral Travel Trailer
	Concord Motorhome
	Cross Country Motorhome
	Cross Country Special Edition MH
	Epic Motorhome
	Freedom Motorhome
	Frelander Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Cruise Air XL MH
	Georgie Boy Cruise Master LE MH
	Georgie Boy Cruise Master MH
	Georgie Boy Landau Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Maverick Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Pursuit Motorhome
	Leprechaun Motorhome
	Santara Motorhome
	Somerset Travel Trailer
	Spirit of America Travel Trailer
	Sportscoach Encore Motorhome
	Velocity Travel Trailer
2007	Adrenaline Fifth Wheel Trailer
	Adrenaline Travel Trailer
	Aurora Motorhome
	Capri Micro Travel Trailer
	Capri Travel Trailer
	Captiva Travel Trailer
	Chaparral Fifth Wheel Trailer
	Chaparral Travel Trailer
	Concord Motorhome
	Cross Country Motorhome
	Epic Motorhome
	Frelander Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Landau Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Maverick Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Pursuit Motorhome

Breakdown by Model	
Model Name and Type	Model Years
Mirada Liberty Edition MH	2004
Mirada Motorhome	2004-2007
Oasis Travel Trailer	2004
Rendezvous Motorhome	2004
Revere Motorhome	2004
Roadmaster Motorhome	2004
Santara Motorhome	2004-2006
Somerset Dreamcatcher FWT	2003-2004
Somerset Fifth Wheel Trailer	2005
Somerset Travel Trailer	2006
Spirit of America Travel Trailer	2004-2007
Sportscoach Encore Motorhome	2005-2007
Sportscoach Legend Motorhome	2004-2005
Sportscoach Pathfinder MH	2007
Velocity Travel Trailer	2006
Wyoming Fifth Wheel Trailer	2007

Breakdown by Model Year	
Model Year	Model Name and Type
	Grand Haven Travel Trailer
	Leprechaun Motorhome
	Mirada Motorhome
	Spirit of America Travel Trailer
	Sportscoach Encore Motorhome
	Sportscoach Pathfinder Motorhome
	Wyoming Fifth Wheel Trailer
2008	Adrenaline Fifth Wheel Trailer
	Freedom Motorhome
	Freelander Motorhome
	Georgie Boy Maverick Motorhome

Breakdown by Model	
Model Name and Type	Model Years