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Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
West Building
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. As explained below, the campaign will be conducted and administered by Stericycle, who has been retained by Dometic Corporation ("Dometic"), the manufacturer of the refrigerators in the affected motorhomes, to manage this campaign. Specific information is as follows:

573.6(c)(2)

The affected motorhomes of the United States recall population include the following:

Holiday Rambler: 2007 Atlantis (6), Augusta B+ (22) and Augusta Touring Sedan (3) Class C motorhomes

Safari: 2007 Damara B+ (20), Damara Touring Sedan (2) and Ivory (26) Class C motorhomes

Harney Coach: 2000 Riata (1) Class A motorhome

The affected motorhomes were manufactured from May 8, 2006 through September 5, 2006. The one 2000 Riata which was due to an aftermarket replacement begin manufacture on November 18, 1999.

The affected two door refrigerators were manufactured by Dometic from June 1, 2003 through September 30, 2006. The affected refrigerators have the following model numbers: NDR1062, RM2652, RM2662, RM2663, RM2852, RM2862, RM3662, RM3663 and RM3862.

The affected serial numbers are 320xxxxx through 352xxxxx, 401xxxxx through 452xxxxx, 501xxxxx through 552xxxxx and 601xxxxx through 639xxxxx.

573.6(c)(3)

A total of **eighty four (84)** motorhomes are in the recall population. Of this total, **eighty (80)** are in the United States and **four (4)** were exported.

573.5(c)(4)

Monaco was notified by Stericycle for Dometic that a serious problem resulting in a fire may occur in an exceptionally small fraction of Dometic two-door refrigerators. However, they will be repairing one hundred percent (100%) of the recall population due to potential risk.

The recall population will be determined from the manufacturing records for the Company's manufacturing facilities in Warsaw, Indiana which produced the affected vehicles.

573.5(c)(5)

Monaco originally submitted a Part 573 concerning a safety recall on specific Dometic two door refrigerators on August 31, 2007 which NHTSA assigned recall campaign 07V423000. Monaco recently received documents from Stericycle for Dometic notifying us that they determined that this recall needed to be extended to include refrigerators that Dometic manufactured from June 1, 2003 through September 30, 2006. The defect is that under some circumstances, a fatigue crack can develop in the boiler tube of the identified refrigerators, which can permit the release of pressurized coolant solution. If this solution is exposed to an ignition source under certain specific circumstances, it can result in a vehicle fire.

573.5(c)(6)

Monaco was notified by Stericycle for Dometic that this new recall was being initiated as an extension of the previous recall. Stericycle from Dometic records notified Monaco that they had purchased two affected refrigerators; one was sold to plant one which was later found to be shipped COD to someone in Colorado and picked up at Dometic's warehouse. Dometic is trying to determine who the purchaser was and contact them. The other refrigerator was shipped to a Monaco service center and installed as aftermarket replacement on the model year 2000 Riata (VIN: 4SLG7BN21Y1102283). The other eighty three (83) affected refrigerators were sold to R-Vision by Dometic and R-Vision installed them in vehicles they manufacture for Monaco. Monaco is currently not aware of any casualties or losses related to this issue.

573.5(c)(8)

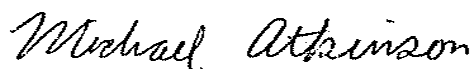
Dometic's remedy for any affected refrigerator will be installing a secondary burn housing, a thermal fuse and a melt fuse that will prevent this condition from leading to a fire outside the burner area. There are two different rework kits for this recall: one for the two-way refrigerators and one for three-way refrigerators. A Dometic dealer will conduct this service procedure at no charge to the customer.

Copies of the drafts of owner and dealer notification letters will be supplied in the near future for your approval. Repair instructions and final owner and dealer notification letters will be provided soon after that pending approval. Stericycle through Dometic will be mailing owner notifications, conducting this recall and reporting information to Monaco to report quarterly to NHTSA. Monaco will be supplying Dometic and Stericycle with an updated owner and address list of information immediately.

Please acknowledge receipt of this defect information report and provide the recall number that will be assigned by NHTSA to this campaign.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Michael Atkinson
Recall Administrator
Monaco Coach Corporation