



COACHMEN RECREATIONAL VEHICLE COMPANY, LLC

December 4, 2008

**VIA E-MAIL
RECEIPT CONFIRMATION REQUESTED**

**08V-639
(3 pages)**

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 – Shower Doors

Dear Mr. Person;

Coachmen Recreational Vehicle Company, LLC (Coachmen) has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exist in certain recreational vehicles manufactured by Coachmen. A list of the affected vehicles is included with this notification as “Attachment A”. These products were manufactured between June 15, 2001 and August 6, 2007.

We will provide NHTSA with the total number of recreational vehicles manufactured by Coachmen that are potentially affected by this defect as soon as that information has been determined.

DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT

The affected vehicles have a towel bar installed on a glass shower door. These shower doors (with towel bars) were supplied to Coachmen RV by Irvine Shade and Door, Incorporated (Irvine). When pressure is applied to the towel bar, the edge of the bar may contact the glass and result in an increased risk of glass breakage and personal injury.

DISCOVERY OF THE DEFECT

In November, 2008 Coachmen RV became aware of a recall campaign being conducted by Keystone RV Company (07V-411) relating to glass shower doors with towel bars that were supplied to them by Irvine Shade and Door. Further investigation determined that Irvine had supplied the same and other similar shower doors with towel bars to Coachmen and that the same failure potential described in 07V-411 exists on those products as well.

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PRECLUSION OF POTENTIAL DEFECT

Irvine has new towel bar mounting hardware that reduces the pressure that can be applied to the glass shower door through the towel bar. The new mounting hardware and installation instructions will be mailed to affected retail customers and dealers. If the retail customers do not wish to replace the mounting hardware themselves, they will be able to take their vehicle to a Coachmen dealer and have the remedy performed at no charge.

All purchasers and dealerships that receive these units with the potential defect will be advised by mail regarding this problem.

Will submit our proposed owner notification letter for your approval shortly.

Very Truly Yours,

COACHMEN RECREATIONAL VEHICLE COMPANY, LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary L. Duncan", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Gary L. Duncan
Vice President, Engineering

Cc: Michael Terlep, Jr. – Coachmen RV Group

ATTACHMENT "A"**Sheet #1**

Part 573 Defect Notification

Coachmen Recreational Vehicle Company, LLC

Irvine Shade and Door, Inc. – Glass Shower Door with Towel Bar

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AFFECTED PRODUCT LIST - SORTED BY MODEL

<u>MODEL</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>MODEL YEARS</u>
Adrenaline	Fifth Wheel Trailer	2006, 2007, 2008
Aurora	Motorhome – Class A	2006
Captiva	Travel Trailer	2007
Cascade	Travel Trailer	2004, 2005, 2006
Catalina	Fifth Wheel Trailer	2004
Catalina	Travel Trailer	2004, 2005
Chaparral	Fifth Wheel Trailer	2006, 2007
Chaparral	Travel Trailer	2005, 2006, 2007
Cheyenne	Motorhome – Class C	2003, 2004
Concord	Motorhome – Class C	2004, 2005
Cross Country	Motorhome – Class A	2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
Cross Country Elite	Motorhome – Class A	2003, 2004
Cross Country SE	Motorhome – Class A	2005, 2006
Freedom	Motorhome – Class C	2005, 2006
Freelander	Motorhome – Class C	2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
Freeport	Motorhome – Class C	2003, 2004
Georgie Boy Cruise Air XL	Motorhome – Class A	2005, 2006
Georgie Boy Cruise Master	Motorhome – Class A	2005, 2006
Georgie Boy Landau	Motorhome – Class A	2005, 2006, 2007
Georgie Boy Maverick	Motorhome – Class C	2006, 2007
Georgie Boy Pursuit	Motorhome – Class A	2007
Leprechaun	Motorhome – Class C	2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
Mirada	Motorhome – Class A	2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008
Santara	Motorhome – Class A	2004, 2005
Santara	Motorhome – Class C	2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006
Shasta Cheyenne	Motorhome – Class C	2002
Shasta Freeport	Motorhome – Class C	2002
Somerset	Fifth Wheel Trailer	2005
Somerset Dreamcatcher	Fifth Wheel Trailer	2004
Spirit of America	Travel Trailer	2007
Sportscoach Elite	Motorhome – Class A	2007, 2008
Sportscoach Encore	Motorhome – Class A	2005, 2006, 2007, 2008
Sportscoach Legend	Motorhome – Class A	2008
Sportscoach Pathfinder	Motorhome – Class A	2007, 2008