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July 18, 2008

Dear Wanderlodge Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Blue Bird Body Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain vehicles it manufactured equipped with Norcold refrigerators. This decision was based on information provided by Norcold Inc. that a defect exists in their Model 1200LR and 1200RIM gas/electric refrigerators installed on certain 2000 through 2002 model year Blue Bird Wanderlodge motor homes manufactured from July 23, 1999 through May 29, 2002.

The nature of the defect is a cooling system leak caused by operation in the AC electric mode. If a leak occurs, the cooling performance of the refrigerator will deteriorate, requiring immediate replacement of the cooling unit. A yellow powder residue may be evident in the heating area of the cooling unit if a leak associated with this recall were to exist. An aroma of ammonia may also exist. Each refrigerator cooling unit under this recall has a serial number between 1008701 and 1273700.

Norcold Inc. advises that the risk to motor vehicle safety is the possibility that extended use of a refrigerator with a leaking cooling unit may result in a fire.

You should immediately contact your dealer or nearest authorized Norcold service center to determine if there is a cooling unit leak. Until a Norcold authorized service center has examined your cooling unit for a potential leak, you should discontinue operation of your refrigerator. You should set the controls to "OFF", and unplug the refrigerator through the service vent on the outside.

You will need to contact your nearest authorized Norcold service center as soon as possible to arrange a service date. Norcold Inc. will ship replacement parts at no charge and will provide reimbursement for labor for authorized repairs. Questions regarding this recall should be directed to Norcold Inc. at 1-800-877-0488 or you may visit their website at www.norcold.com.

If you no longer own the subject coach identified by the body number on the attached cover sheet, please complete the right top section of the cover sheet and return to Blue Bird in the enclosed pink postage prepaid envelope.

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If the modifications/repairs directed by this notification were performed on your bus prior to the receipt of this recall notification, complete and sign the recall completion reply sheet and attached a copy of the work order/invoice. Mail the documents in the pink self-addressed postage paid envelope included with the recall notification to Blue Bird for reimbursement consideration.

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If Blue Bird Body Company or Norcold should fail to or is unable to remedy this condition without charge to you, you may contact:

ADMINISTRATOR
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION
1200 NEW JERSEY AVENUE, SE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

or you may call The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration toll free at:

1-888-327-4236
TTY: 1-800-424-9153
or go to: <http://www.safercar.gov>

Questions regarding this recall campaign should be directed to me at (478) 822-2242.



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BLUE BIRD BODY COMPANY