U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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09V-135

MR. SCOTT A PULLIN
VICE PRESIDENT OF OPERATIONS
GULF STREAM COACH, INC.
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NAPPANEE, IN 46550

Subject: GAS COOKING APPLIANCES/SUBURBAN

Dear MR. PULLIN:

This letter serves to acknowledge Gulf Stream Coach Inc' notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to Federal law.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:
GULF STREAM/PRAIRIE SCHOONER/2009

NHTSA Campaign Number: 09V-135

Mfg's Report Date: April 8, 2009

Components: EQUIPMENT: RECREATIONAL VEHICLE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 4

Summary:
ON CERTAIN FIFTH WHEEL TRAILERS EQUIPPED WITH SUBURBAN GLASS TOP, SEALED BURNER RANGES AND COOK TOPS, A THREADED CONNECTOR ON THE TUBE BETWEEN THE BURNER VALVE AND THE BURNER MAY NOT HAVE BEEN FULLY TIGHTENED DURING THE MANUFACTURING PROCESS.

Consequence:
IF THE THREADED CONNECTOR IS NOT PROPERLY TIGHTENED, IT IS POSSIBLE FOR THE GAS TO LEAK FROM THE CONNECTION WHEN THE BURNER IS TURNED ON. LP GAS IS HEAVIER THAN AIR AND ANY LEAKED GAS COULD ACCUMULATE IN AN ENCLOSED OR LOW AREA IN YOUR RECREATIONAL VEHICLE. A SUFFICIENT QUANTITY OF ACCUMULATED GAS, IF IGNITED, COULD CAUSE A FIRE OR EXPLOSION.

Remedy:
GULF STREAM IS WORKING WITH SUBURBAN TO REPAIR THESE COOKING APPLIANCES. OWNERS MAY CONTACT GULF STREAM AT 1-800-289-8787 OR SUBURBAN AT 423-775-2131.

Notes:
CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV.

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

> Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement