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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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April 29, 2009

MR. SCOTT PULLIN
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GULF STREAM COACH, INC
503 S. OAKLAND AVENU
NAPPANEE IN 46550

NVS-215dgl
09V-141

SUBJECT: FRACTURED FUEL LINES OR TRANSFER TUBES/FIRE

DEAR MR. PULLIN:

This letter serves to acknowledge Gulf Stream's 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/CRESCENDO/2006-2007
GULF STREAM/FRIENDSHIP/2006-2007
GULF STREAM/TOURMASTER/2006-2007

Mfg's Report Date: April 16, 2009

NHTSA Campaign Number: 09V-141

Components: FUEL SYSTEM, OTHER: DELIVERY: HOSES, LINES/PIPING, AND FITTINGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 29

Summary:

GULF STREAM IS RECALLING 29 MY 2006-2007 CRESCENDO, TOURMASTER AND FRIENDSHIP MOTOR HOMES BUILT ON FREIGHTLINER CUSTOM CHASSIS WITH CERTAIN DETROIT DIESEL MBE 900 EPA 04 ENGINES. THE HIGH PRESSURE FUEL LINES AND TRANSFER TUBES MAY FATIGUE AND FRACTURE.

Consequence:

A FRACTURED FUEL LINE MAY LEAK DIESEL FUEL POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A FIRE OR FUEL MAY BE SPILLED ON THE ROAD CAUSING A SLIPPERY SURFACE, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A VEHICLE CRASH.

Remedy:

GULF STREAM IS WORKING WITH DETROIT DIESEL AND WILL REPAIR VEHICLES WITH A MORE ROBUST LINE AND VIBRATION DAMPERS FREE OF CHARGE PLEASE SEE 08V-668. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING MAY 2009. OWNERS MAY CONTACT DETROIT DIESEL 1-313-592-3708 OR GULF STREAM AT 574-289-8787.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY 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](http://www.safercar.gov).

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

As stated in your report, we understand that Detroit Diesel (DTNA) will be conducting this safety recall and sending out notification to owners. Therefore, DTNA will not be required to submit a draft owner notification letter at this time. However, since DTNA is responsible for the defect in accordance with 49 CFR §573.5, please be advised that if Detroit Diesel's safety recall campaign is not successful, the agency may require DTNA to conduct a follow-up notification.

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. Detroit Diesel will be required to file the first quarterly report 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Person', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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