



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

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Washington, DC 20590

May 21, 2009

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3125 MYERS STREET
RIVERSIDE, CA 92503-5527

NVS-215dgl
09V-175

SUBJECT: UNSECURE BATTERY CABLE HARNESS

DEAR MR. JAMES:

This letter serves to acknowledge Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.'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:

FLEETWOOD/DISCOVERY/2009
FLEETWOOD/EXCURSION/2009
FLEETWOOD/EXPEDITION/2009
FLEETWOOD/PROVIDENCE/2009

NHTSA Campaign Number: 09V-175

Mfg's Report Date: May 21, 2009

Components: ELECTRICAL SYSTEM: BATTERY: CABLES

Potential Number of Units Affected: 311

Summary:

FLEETWOOD IS RECALLING 311 MY 2009 PROVIDENCE, EXCURSION, EXPEDITION, DISCOVERY AND BOUNDER DIESEL MOTOR HOME. THE BATTERY CABLE MAY BECOME DISLODGED AND COME IN CONTACT WITH THE DRIVER SHAFT CAUSING ENTANGLEMENT OR ABRASION TO THE BATTERY CABLE.

Consequence:

THIS COULD LEAD TO AN ELECTRICAL SHORT WHICH MAY RESULT IN A FIRE OR UN-COMMANDED VEHICLE SHUTDOWN WHICH MAY RESULT IN A LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND REPLACE DAMAGE BATTERY CABLES AND SECURE THE BATTERY CABLE HARNESS ABOVE THE DRIVE SHAFT FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JUNE 2009. OWNERS MAY CONTACT FLEETWOOD AT 800-509-3418.

Notes:

FLEETWOOD RECALL NO. 90519. 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](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,

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

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