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49 CFR Part 573.6 Defect and Noncompliance Information Report

On Thursday, July 30, 2009; Newmar Corporation received notification, from a representative of Norcold Inc., identifying a potential defect relating to motor vehicle safety in the vehicles listed below. Newmar Corporation is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573.6, Defect and Noncompliance Information Report.

Newmar Corporation's campaign identification number will be assigned by NHTSA.

(1) Final Stage Vehicle Manufacturer.

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(2) Identification of Vehicles.

The vehicle models involved in this recall are:

- 2003-2004 Dutch Star DP - Motor home
- 2003 Essex DP - Motor home
- 2003 Kountry Star CA - Motor home
- 2003 Kountry Star DP - Motor home
- 2003 Mountain Aire CA - Motor home
- 2003 Mountain Aire DP - Motor home
- 2003 Scottsdale CA - Motor home
- 2003 Kountry Aire FW - Recreation vehicle trailer
- 2003 Mountain Aire FW - Recreation vehicle trailer

These vehicles were manufactured by Newmar Corporation between March 05, 2002 and March 13, 2002.

(3) Comprehensive Vehicle Population

The total number of vehicles included in this campaign is 493.

(4) Effected Population Assessment.

The cooling units in specific refrigerators manufactured by Norcold Inc. have an atypical demonstrated failure rate. 100% of the isolated vehicles are identified as having this potentially defective equipment.

(5) Defect Description.

After some period of use, a fatigue failure may develop in the cooling units of specific refrigerators manufactured by Norcold, Inc. resulting in coolant solution escape. The escape of coolant would result in a non-operational refrigerator and may present a latent fire hazard as outlined in equipment recall campaign having NHTSA identification number 09E-026.

Reduced cooling performance may occur prior to conditions required for ignition. This defect may occur with no obvious preceeding indicators.

Refrigerator Manufacturer:

- Norcold Inc.
- 600 S. Kuther Road
- P.O. Box 180
- Sidney, OH 45365
- Phone: (937) 497-3080

(6) Principle Event Chronology.

Newmar Corporation received notice of NHTSA recall campaign number 09E-026 on Monday, July 27, 2009 from Norcold, Inc. On Thursday, July 30, 2009; Newmar received specific identifying information from Norcold and made the determination that a potential defect existed in vehicles manufactured by Newmar Corporation.

Newmar Corporation is not aware of any property damage, injury, or death, in vehicles manufactured by Newmar, attributed directly or indirectly to utilization of these components manufactured by Norcold.

(7) Material Data and Other Relevant Information.

Please refer to Norcold, Inc. recall 09E-026.

(8) Defect Remedy Program.

Norcold, Inc. will assume responsibility for coordinating and executing this recall, in its entirety, on behalf of Newmar Corporation. Newmar will provide a list of vehicles, by vehicle identification numbers, along with names and addresses of purchasers of those vehicles and will work directly with Norcold to ensure campaign completion.

(9) Distributed Notices and Other Communications.

We are continuing preparation of required documentation which will be sent via post or electronic mail.