

December 14, 2009

Mr. Daniel C. Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

Re: **09E-064** - Defect Information Report; Certain Foretravel Vehicles
Equipped with a KPPS Adjustable Pedal manufactured by Kongsberg
Power Products Systems.

Dear Mr. Smith,

Foretravel Motorcoach has been advised by Kongsberg Power Products Systems (KPPS) that certain adjustable pedal assemblies that were installed as original equipment in some Foretravel recreational vehicles may contain an issue that relates to motor vehicle safety because the drive pin which secures the brake pedal arm to the remainder of the assembly may become disengaged, resulting in a loss of vehicle braking function and/or causing the brake pedal to move out of position and interfere with the throttle pedal function.

On the basis of that KPPS determination, Foretravel Motorcoach has decided that there may be a potential safety defect in its vehicles equipped with the identified adjustable pedal assemblies, and we are therefore voluntarily submitting the enclosed Defect Information Report pursuant to 49 CFR Part 573.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 936-564-8367.

Sincerely,

Mark Harvey
Director of Warranty

Enclosure

Defect Information Report

1. Manufacturer's name/address

The manufacturer of the vehicles covered by this Report is:

Foretravel Motorcoach
1221 NW Stallings Drive
Nacogdoches, Texas 75964

2. Vehicles Involved:

The vehicles covered by this report are recreational vehicles that were equipped with Part # 77025-001 Stat 3 Gen II Pneumatic Brake Assembly manufactured by **Kongsberg Power Product Systems** between August 2007 and December 2009. The vehicle models in question are as follows:

2008 Year model – Phenix/Nimbus

2009 Year model – Phenix/Nimbus

2010 Year model – Phenix/Nimbus

3. Total number of vehicles:

The total number of vehicles covered by this Report is **74**.

4. Approximate percentage of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect:

Based on the information received from Kongsberg Power Products Systems Foretravel Motorcoach believes that approximately 100 % percent of these vehicles may contain the potential defect.

5. Description of Defect:

Under certain circumstances, the drive pin can become disengaged on the brake pedal assembly causing separation or loosening of the pedal from the remainder of the assembly. It could result in a loss of vehicle braking function and/ or cause the brake pedal to interfere with the throttle pedal function. Either condition could result in potential vehicle crash.

6. Chronological summary of events leading to this determination:

Foretravel received notice of a potential defect from KPPS of its defect determination on December 11, 2009. Foretravel is not aware of any failures in its vehicles related to this potential defect. Additionally, KPPS is unaware of any failures related to the specific brake assembly part # 77025-001 used in the Foretravel vehicles included in this report. Nevertheless, after reviewing the matter, Foretravel decided to submit this defect report.

7. Program for remedying the defect:

Foretravel is in process of obtaining necessary parts and instructions from KPPS to remedy all included assemblies and/or vehicles. Foretravel in conjunction with KPPS will perform the recall at no charge to vehicle owners. See recall No. 09E-064.

Pursuant to 49 CFR 573.6(c) (8) (i) and 573.13, owners will be advised that Foretravel will reimburse them if they have incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the adjustable brake assembly containing such a defect prior to their receipt of the notification.

Foretravel expects notification to customers to begin in January 2010.

Mark Harvey
Warranty Director