



Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc.  
P.O. Box 2164  
Goshen, IN 46527-2164

NHTSA Recall No. 10V-410

## ***Safety Recall Notice*** ***Grand Junction®***

Dear Customer:

This **Safety Recall Notice** is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act and is important for your safety.

### **Reason for This Recall**

Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc. (Dutchmen) decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Grand Junction brand 5<sup>th</sup> wheel travel trailers manufactured between April 27, 2006 and May 2, 2006. Dutchmen has been notified by Lippert Components, Inc. (LCI) that certain axles manufactured by them may contain a safety defect.

Vehicles subject to this recall campaign were manufactured with axles that may contain mis-located welds attaching the axle spindle to the axle tube. If the welds are mis-located, the spindle may partially or completely separate from the axle tube and the wheel and hub assembly may come off the vehicle. An axle failure could result in loss of control of the vehicle resulting in a crash of the vehicle

### **What We Will Do**

A notice has been sent to your selling dealership regarding this recall. Dutchmen and LCI will inspect your 5<sup>th</sup> wheel's axles and, if necessary, replace the axles without charge

### **What You Should Do**

**Alert: Continued use of the 5<sup>th</sup> wheel without having the preventative actions completed immediately could lead to personal injury or death.**

Your fifth-wheel must not be moved until the axles are inspected and, if necessary, replaced. LCI is best equipped to inspect and replace the axles as promptly as possible. At your earliest convenience, please make an appointment to have your fifth-wheel serviced by LCI or its authorized representative. Please contact Lippert Components, Inc.'s Axle Service & Warranty Department by calling 1-877-870-4900. The inspection and, if necessary axle replacement, can be performed at location that is convenient for you. This service correction will take approximately 3.0 hours.

If you have questions concerning this recall or if you need any assistance please contact the **Dutchmen Warranty/Service Department** by mail at Dutchmen Manufacturing Inc., P.O. Box 2164, Goshen, IN 46527, by email at '[warranty@dutchmen.com](mailto:warranty@dutchmen.com)', or by phone at 866-869-1109.

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If you had appropriate repairs completed prior to receipt of this recall notice, and if you incurred any direct cost in connection with obtaining such repair, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement from Dutchmen by contacting the **Dutchmen Warranty/Service Department**.

## **Notifications**

We have notified the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of this recall and the procedures involved. Should Dutchmen fail or be unable to correct the defect without charge, you may write to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to lessee within 10 days.

We are sorry to cause this inconvenience; however, we have taken this action in the interest of your safety and continued satisfaction with our travel trailers.

Sincerely,

**Brad Sherwin**  
Quality Manager

**Jerry McCarthy**  
Director of Parts, Service, and  
Warranty

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