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of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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11V-144

**SUBJECT: BRAUN WHEELCHAIR LIFTS**

**DEAR MR. NALEPKA:**

This letter serves to acknowledge Motor Coach Industries, Inc's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

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:**

MCI/J4500/2010

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 11V-144

**Mfg's Report Date:** February 28, 2011

**Components:** EQUIPMENT ADAPTIVE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 27

**Summary:**

MCI IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 J4500 MOTOR COACHES MANUFACTURED FROM OCTOBER 2009 THROUGH AUGUST 2010, AND EQUIPPED WITH BRAUN WHEELCHAIR LIFTS. THE ELECTRICAL AND HYDRAULIC LINES THAT SERVICE THE WHEELCHAIR LIFTS MAY BE ROUTED OR CLAMPED IN A WAY THAT COULD RESULT IN THE LINES BEING PINCHED DURING LIFT OPERATION.

**Consequence:**

THIS COULD RESULT IN A FIRE CAUSING PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

**Remedy:**

MCI WILL IMPROVE THE ROUTING AND CLAMPING OF THE HYDRAULIC AND ELECTRICAL LINES SERVICING THE BRAUN WHEELCHAIR LIFTS. THIS SERVICE WILL BE PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING MARCH 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MCI CUSTOMER SERVICE AT 1-800-241-2947.

**Notes:**

MCI'S RECALL CAMPAIGN 347. 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).

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.

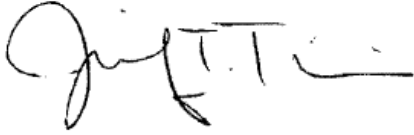
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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](mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian  
Acting Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement