



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Scott Pullin
Vice President - Operations
Gulf Stream Coach, Inc.
503 S. Oakland Avenue
Nappanee, IN 46550

NVS-215KS
12V-366

Subject: Hydraulic Brakes

Dear Mr. Pullin:

This letter serves to acknowledge Gulf Stream Coach, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) 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:

GULF STREAM/BOUNTY HUNTERS/2006-2009
GULF STREAM/CRESCENDO/2006-2009
GULF STREAM/INDEPENDENCE/2006-2009
GULF STREAM/SUN VOYAGER/2006-2009
GULF STREAM/YELLOWSTONE/2006-2009

Mfr's Report Date: July 23, 2012

NHTSA Campaign Number: 12V-366

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

Potential Number of Units Affected: 443

Problem Description:

Gulf Stream Coach, Inc. (GSC) is recall certain model year 2006 through 2008 Crescendo, Sun Voyager, Independence, Bounty Hunters, and Yellowstone Class A diesel pusher motor homes built on Freightliner Custom Chassis (FCCC) from March 18, 2005, through December 2009. These motorhomes chassis are equipped with Bosch hydraulic disc brakes which, when exposed to long periods of time of non-driving, may experience diametrical brake caliper piston growth and reduced piston to bore clearance potentially leading to brake drag and overheating resulting in reduced brake performance.

Consequence:

Reduced brake performance increases the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

FCCC will notify owners, and dealers will repair the vehicles, free of charge. Owners may contact GSC at 1-800-289-8787 or Daimler Trucks/FCCC at 1-800-547-0712.

Notes:

Daimler Trucks recall campaign number is FL-628. Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.



As stated in your report, we understand that FCCC will be conducting this safety recall and providing quarterly status reports. However, since GSC is responsible for the defect in accordance with 49 CFR §573.5, please be advised that if GSC's safety recall campaign is not successful, the agency may require GSC to conduct a follow-up notification.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement