



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

September 18, 2014

Mr. Craig Cox
Codes and Compliance Manager
Newmar Corporation
355 N Delaware Street
Nappanee, IN 46550

NVS-215SM
14V-485

Subject: Headlight Wiring Harness may be Incorrect

Dear Mr. Cox:

This letter serves to acknowledge Newmar Corporation'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:
NEWMAR/DUTCH STAR/2014

Mfr's Report Date: August 6, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-485

Components:
ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:WIRING
EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 63

Problem Description:

Newmar Corporation (Newmar) is recalling certain model year 2014 Dutch Star motorhomes manufactured April 14, 2014, to June 20, 2014. An incorrectly wired headlight wiring harness may have been installed in the affected vehicles. As a result, if one of the two headlight circuit breakers fails, both headlights and both fog lights may go out.

Consequence:

If the headlights and fog lights go out, there is an increased risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Newmar will notify owners, and dealers will install an auxillary headlight harness, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in September 2014. Owners may contact Newmar customer service at 1-800-731-8300.

Notes:

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.

We have received Newmar's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please 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 required in Part 573.6(c)(6), please provide information about how and when the defect was discovered.

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 Sarah Mcshane who may be reached by phone at 202-366-7401, or by email at sarah.mcshane@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 "J. Timian", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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