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COACHMEN RECREATIONAL VEHICLE COMPANY, LLC

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SECOND NOTICE

August 31, 2004

Dear Coachmen Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. This is a follow up notice to an earlier letter, however our records indicate that you have not had your vehicle repaired or remedied.

Coachmen has decided that the brake system warning indicator in the dash instrument panel of your Class A motorhome does not conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 105 S5.3, "Hydraulic and Electric Brake Systems". Affected units were manufactured by Ford Motor Company from May 13, 1999 through October 22, 2002.

DEFECT

On affected vehicles, the instrument panel, as shipped by Ford to Coachmen RV Company, may not be wired correctly to illuminate the brake warning indicator for a check indicator function and/or low brake fluid condition. The brake warning indicator is intended to illuminate when the ignition key is turned to the ON, RUN, or START position and/or when the brake fluid is low. FMVSS No. 105 85.3 specifies that this check of the brake warning indicator function and the low brake fluid indication be provided. The absence of this indicator function could lead to brake failure and crash without warning.

REPAIRS

PLEASE TAKE YOUR UNIT PROMPTLY TO THE NEAREST COACHMEN DEALER. At no charge to you, the Coachmen dealer will perform the necessary modifications to the instrument panel assembly to make the brake warning indicator functional in accordance with FMVSS requirements. The required modifications should not take more than 1 hour.

REFUNDS

If you have paid to have this service performed prior to receiving this notice you can receive a full refund. Please mail your paid original invoice or receipt to Coachmen RV Service, P.O. Box 1000, Middlebury, Indiana 46540.

CHANGED ADDRESS OR SOLD THE VEHICLE?

Please fill out the enclosed pre-paid postcard and mail it to us if you have changed your address or sold the vehicle.

Any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If your dealer does not make the required repair promptly and without charge, you may contact Coachmen Customer Service at 1-800-453-6064. You also may contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20590 or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236.

We regret the inconvenience this situation may have caused you. However, Coachmen RV Company and Ford Motor Company believe in the early detection and immediate correction of potential concerns. Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

COACHMEN RECREATIONAL VEHICLE COMPANY, LLC