



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Stanton Saucier
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NVS-215KS
13E-001

Subject: Wheelchair Lift Armored Cable Short Circuit

Dear Mr. Saucier:

This letter serves to acknowledge Ricon 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:

RICON/K2005/9999
RICON/K2010/9999
RICON/K5505/9999
RICON/K5510/9999
RICON/S2003/9999
RICON/S2005/9999
RICON/S2010/9999
RICON/S5505/9999
RICON/S5510/9999

Mfr's Report Date: January 11, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13E-001

Components:
EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 4,075

Problem Description:

Ricon is recalling certain S series and K Series wheelchair lifts manufactured after August 1, 2006, and equipped with an optional armored pendant cable. The cable may have been installed such that it doesn't clear the wheelchair lift and without a protective cover, or a misinstalled protective cover.

Consequence:

The cable may contact the power lug at the base of the wheel chair lift causing a short circuit that could result in a fire.

Remedy:

Ricon will notify the affected vehicles manufacturers and will provide a supplemental cover kit and instructions, free of charge. This recall campaign is expected to begin January 2013. Owners may contact Ricon at 1-818-267-3000.

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.

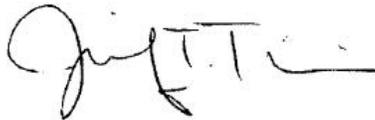
Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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 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,



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