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FLEETWOOD

April 7, 2000

Dir/RVPC 00-107

Mr. Kenneth N. Weinstein  
Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance  
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION  
400 Seventh Street S.W.  
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Safety Defect Report

Dear Mr. Weinstein,

On April 5, 2000, Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc. determined that a Noncompliance to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards exists in the motor homes listed below, and is furnishing this notification in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 "Safety Defect and Noncompliance Reports".

The following is the information required by 49 CFR Part 573:

- This report was prepared on April 7, 2000.
  - Fleetwood has assigned 00229 as an identification code to this recall.
- (1) The affected motor homes were manufactured by the following wholly owned subsidiaries of Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.:

Fleetwood Motor Homes of Indiana, Inc. Plant 44  
1031 U.S. 224 E., P.O. Box 31  
Decatur, Indiana 46733

Fleetwood Motor Homes of Indiana, Inc. Plant 52  
1803 Winchester Street, P.O. Box 1006  
Decatur, Indiana 46733-5006

The agency should contact the following individual with respect to this recall:

Robert E. Wozniak  
Director of Product Compliance - RV Group  
Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.  
3125 Myers Street  
Riverside, California 92513  
Telephone: (909) 351-3814 Fax: (909) 351-3776

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- (2) The vehicles involved in this recall are:

1996 through 2000 model year Jamboree brand class "C" motor homes  
 1996 through 2000 model year Tioga brand class "C" motor homes

The involved Jamboree and Tioga brand class "C" motor homes were manufactured between September 1995 and March 2000.

These motor homes were built with a Fleetwood identification number range of 750CT4461463 through 751ZT5231911.

The first date coincides with the first application of this wheel. The second date coincides with the purchase and installation of a higher rated capacity wheel.

- (3) Fleetwood reports the following as an approximate number of motor homes containing the Noncompliance:

<u>Make</u>	<u>Model Year</u>	<u>Number of Motor Homes</u>
Jamboree	1996	223
Jamboree	1997	287
Jamboree	1998	262
Jamboree	1999	432
Jamboree	2000	353
Tioga	1996	42
Tioga	1997	20
Tioga	1998	15
Tioga	1999	94
Tioga	2000	242
<b>Total</b>		<b>1970</b>

- (4) Fleetwood estimates that 95% of identified motor homes contain the Noncompliance.
- (5) The identified motor homes were equipped with a spare wheel with insufficient weight carrying capacity when mated to a maximum loaded tire with which it is equipped.
- (6) Not applicable.

- (7) The Fleetwood Motor Home Engineering Services Group began investigation into this situation during January 2000 when an internal question was raised. Subsequent activities included a field investigation and the rotating analysis of the subject wheel to be of a higher load capacity.
- (8) The recall remedy will be to equip the motor homes with a higher capacity wheel. A Recall Service Bulletin will be provided that details the inspections and replacement of the affected wheel. This work will be done by either a Fleetwood Dealer, or a Fleetwood Parts and Service Center, or an authorized repair station. Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc., will pay for all materials and labor pertinent to the recall.

Fleetwood intends to conduct a Dealer mailing on April 14, 2000.

Fleetwood intends to conduct a Customer notification mailing on April 21, 2000.

Fleetwood does not foresee any problems with implementing this voluntary recall campaign.

- (9) Copies of subsequent correspondence will be submitted to NHTSA within five (5) days of transmittal. This correspondence will include:
- I) Letter of Dealer Notification
  - II) Letter of Customer Notification
  - III) Recall Service Bulletin

In accordance with our customary practice, we are requesting your review of the enclosed drafts of letters to Dealers and Owners. Also enclosed is a draft of the Recall Service Bulletin which details the remedy to be applied to the subject motor homes.

Sincerely,

*Robert E. Wozniak*

Robert E. Wozniak  
Director of Product Compliance - RV Group  
Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.

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April, 2000

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# IMPORTANT RECALL INFORMATION

**TO: ALL FLEETWOOD DEALER PRINCIPALS,  
SERVICE MANAGERS, PARTS MANAGERS**

**SUBJECT: RECALL CAMPAIGN - 00229  
(1996-1999 TIOGA, JAMBOREE SPARE WHEEL)**

Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc. is requesting your assistance in conducting a voluntary recall notification campaign in accordance with the National Highway Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc. has determined that a noncompliance relating to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000 model year Tioga and Jamboree brand motor homes built on the Ford chassis, and built at our Decatur, Indiana manufacturing plants. We have determined that a noncompliance exists in these motor homes and are notifying owners in order to correct the problem. A copy of the letter sent to owners is enclosed for your information.

**What is the Problem?** As described in the letter to owner's, the subject motor homes can experience spare wheel overloading. This can cause premature wheel failure creating a loss of vehicle control and result in personal injury and/or vehicle damage.

To correct this noncompliance, it is necessary to replace the originally positioned spare wheel with a new higher capacity wheel as described in the enclosed **Recall Service Bulletin #00229**

**What should you do?** Owners of the above mentioned motor homes have been asked to contact Fleetwood's Customer Assistance Group for the name of the nearest authorized Fleetwood dealer to have the described condition remedied.

In the event that you are contacted by a customer please verify eligibility by referring to the serial number range listed on the following pages prior to beginning repairs.

**What  
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Should a customer have you perform this service, please complete the Fleetwood Repair Order (Form X-SR-042).

Once repairs are completed, have the customer sign the Fleetwood Repair Order and return it to your regional Fleetwood-Motor Home Service Center for payment. You will be reimbursed in accordance with Service Bulletin 00229. Customers will not be charged for these repairs.

If you have one of these vehicles in your inventory, you will be mailed a recall notice for that specific motor home involved. Fleetwood is asking our dealers to make repairs to stock units on dealer lots prior to sale or lease.

Federal law (Section 154 of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicles Safety Act of 1996) requires that:

If you have received a notice of recall or failure to comply from Fleetwood or any component manufacturer, you must repair or otherwise correct the defects on vehicles remaining in your inventory, according to the notification, before selling or leasing the vehicles.

**1. Identification of Involved Vehicles**

Decatur, Indiana	751LW5226548 - 751LW5226567
1996 - 2000 Tioga and Jamboree	751FW5226673 - 751FW5226677
750CT4461463	773WW5226687 - 773WW5226691
750ZT4461638 - 750ZT4461647	751ZW5226707 - 751ZW5226712
741HT4461792 - 741HT4461806	751VW5226751 - 751VW5226760
754ZT4461977	773KW5226976 - 773KW5226980
754ZT4462009 - 754ZT4462023	773WW5226996 - 773WW5227002
752KT4462215	751VW5227023 - 751VW5227027
752GT4462265 - 752GT4462284	751ZW5227063
754ZT4462521 - 754ZT4462535	751LW5227105 - 751LW5227106
754ZT4462551 - 754ZT4462560	773WW5227172 - 773WW5227175
754ZT4462619 - 754ZT4462623	773WW5227220 - 773WW5227224
741HT4462631 - 741HT4462635	763HX5227235 - 763HX5227254
754ZT4462774 - 754ZT4462778	751FX5227260 - 751FX5227264
750ZT4462800 - 750ZT4462802	751VX5227280 - 751VX5227283

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754ZT4463122 - 754ZT4463131	751VX5227286 - 751VX5227289
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741HT4463384 - 741HT4463388	751DX5227306 - 751DX5227309
752KT4463392 - 752KT4463398	751LX5227326 - 751LX5227330
750ZT4463409 - 750ZT4463415	773WX5227346 - 773WX5227355
750CT4463428 - 750CT4463429	741BX5227396 - 741BX5227405
741HT4463522 - 741HT4463531	773KX5227407 - 773KX5227416
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752GT4463819 - 752GT4463823	741BX5227465 - 741BX5227466
754ZT4463839 - 754ZT4463848	751DX5227468 - 751DX5227486
750ZT4463978 - 750ZT4463980	751VX5227519 - 751VX5227528
754ZT4463996 - 754ZT4464005	751LX5227539 - 751LX5227543
750ZT4464103 - 750ZT4464105	773WX5227559 - 773WX5227563
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750CT4464222	751FX5227613 - 751LX5227615
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754ZT4464737 - 754ZT4464746	751DX5227688 - 751DX5227697
750ZT4464761 - 750ZT4464762	741BX5227708 - 741BX5227722
754ZT4464784 - 754ZT4464803	763HX5227733 - 763HX5227739
750ZT4465174	751VX5227775 - 751VX5227789
754ZT4465319 - 754ZT4465328	751DX5227810 - 751DX5227829
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754FV4466093 - 754FV4466097	751DX5228054
754ZV4466238 - 754ZV4466239	741BX5228080 - 741BX5228084
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752KV4466544 - 752KV4466550	773KX5228129 - 773KX5228133
752NV4466626 - 752NV4466627	751UX5228159 - 751UX5228168
754FV4466782 - 754FV4466786	733WX5228229 - 773WX5228240
752TV4466790 - 752TV4466804	751DX5228276 - 751DX5228280
752KV4466890 - 752KV4466894	751FX5228307
741HV4466905 - 741HV4466909	741BX5228309 - 741BX5228318
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752KV4467301 - 752KV4467304	877DY5228462 - 877DY5228466

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752TV4467637 - 752TV4467651	741BX5228665 - 741BX5228669
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750FV4467960 - 750FV4467964	878CY5228904 - 878CY5228905
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750ZV4468136	751DX5229110 - 751DX5229114
754FV4468158 - 754FV4468160	773WX5229138 - 773WX5229170
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741HV4468338 - 741HV4468342	878DY5229343 - 878DY5229448
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752TV4468567 - 752TV4468568	878DY5229894 - 878DY5229908
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773KW5225890 - 773KW5225894	751ZY5231565 - 751ZY5231574
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773WW5226135 - 773WW5226144	
773WW5226220 - 773WW5226239	
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751LW5226399 - 751LW5226403	
773WW5226419 - 773WW5226428	
751VW5226508 - 751VW5226512	

## 2. Parts Ordering

Contact the Parts Department at your regional Fleetwood Motor Home Service Center to place your parts order. Please refer to Fleetwood service part number as indicated in Recall Bulletin #00229.

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3. Flat Rate Allowance

The flat rate code to be used for this Safety Recall is as follows:

<u>Flat Rate Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Flat Rate Time</u>
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**NOTE:** The above time includes 0.1 hour of administrative cost per unit for the dealership.

Please review this entire Recall package with your parts and Service staff to familiarize them with the step-by-step procedure and implement this Safety Recall.

Thank you for helping Fleetwood with its continuing efforts to maintain customer satisfaction. If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Fleetwood Service Center.

Sincerely,

FLEETWOOD ENTERPRISES, INC.

Tina Beck  
Service Administrator  
Motor Home Division

Enclosures

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April, 2000

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**IMPORTANT RECALL INFORMATION**

Dear Valued Fleetwood Motor Home Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Highway Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc. has determined that a Noncompliance to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 120 exists in certain 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000 Tioga and Jamboree brand motor homes built on the Ford chassis, and built at our Decatur, Indiana manufacturing plants.

**What is the problem?** The subject motor homes can experience spare wheel overloading. This can cause premature wheel failure creating a loss of vehicle control and result in personal injury and/or vehicle damage.

**What will Fleetwood do?** The repair for this potential problem consists of replacing the spare wheel with a new higher capacity wheel, at no charge to you. This repair should take approximately 1/2 to 2 hours depending on inspection and spare wheel replacement, if necessary.

**What should you do?** Since this defect affects motor vehicle safety, it is recommended that you immediately have your motor home repaired by contacting the Fleetwood Customer Assistance Group at (800) 322-8216 and making an appointment to have this repair performed by an authorized Fleetwood Dealer or Fleetwood Service Facility.

If it is necessary for you to operate your motor home, be aware of any unusual noises or vibrations from any tire location. Fleetwood notes that the overload condition may cause premature wheel wear, but also believes that unless your motor home has high mileage, is fully loaded, and has the spare tire and wheel assembly mounted on one of the front corners, you should be able to safely operate your motor home until the repair is made. You may also be able to unload your motor home to get within the loading condition of the wheel as described in your Owner's Manual. If you hear unusual noises or feel vibration, stop and contact your Dealer or the

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**Fleetwood Customer Assistance Department at (800) 322-8216 for immediate assistance.**

When you deliver your motor home for repairs, your Dealer will complete a Fleetwood Repair Order. Upon completion of the repair, please sign the Fleetwood Repair Order and ask your Dealer to return it to us.

If you no longer own this vehicle, please notify Fleetwood by calling our customer Service Department at (800) 322-8216 stating the name, address, and telephone number of the person you sold it to. This will enable us to send this important recall information to the new owner.

If you are unable to obtain the specified repair promptly and without charge, please contact:

Motor Home Service Division  
Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.  
P.O. Box 7638  
Riverside, CA 92513-7638  
(800) 322-8216

If you believe that the Dealer and Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc. have failed or have been unable to remedy the defect without charge or within a reasonable period of time, you may submit a complaint to:

Administrator  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
400 Seventh Street S.W.  
Washington D.C. 20590

or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at (800) 424-9393. Residents of Washington D.C. area should call (202) 366-0123.

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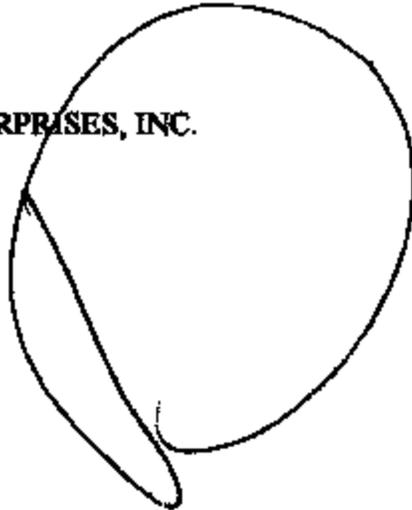
Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc. regrets any inconvenience this situation may cause you, but we are taking these steps in the interest of your safety. We appreciate your prompt assistance in eliminating this potential hazard.

This letter does not constitute an acknowledgment of legal liability.

Sincerely,

FLEETWOOD ENTERPRISES, INC.

Tina Beck  
Service Administrator  
Motor Home Group



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# RECALL SERVICE BULLETIN

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**Class C motor homes produced by Fleetwood Motor Homes of Indiana, Inc.**

## Spare Wheel Replacement

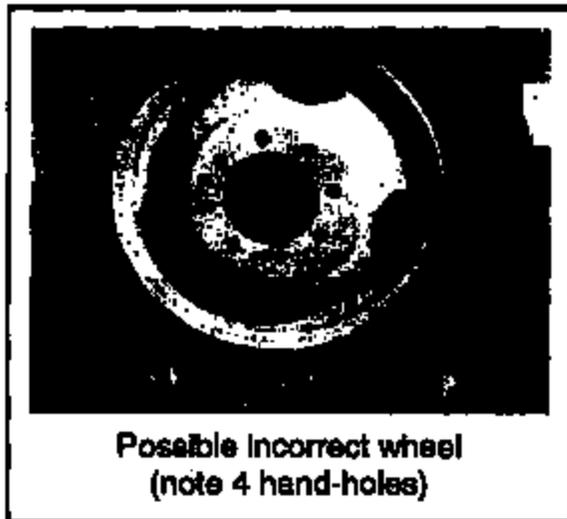
This Recall Service Bulletin describes the procedure to inspect and replace a wheel originally installed at the manufacturing plant as a spare wheel.

### Parts Required

1 243231 Wheel, Accuride part number 29398

### Procedure

1. Remove the spare tire cover and wheel covers (if installed).
2. Visually inspect the spare tire wheel *and* all six ground-contact wheels to determine if any have four oval hand-holes (see photo). *If any wheel has four hand-holes, follow step 3 closely.*



Federal law (Section 154 of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966) requires that:

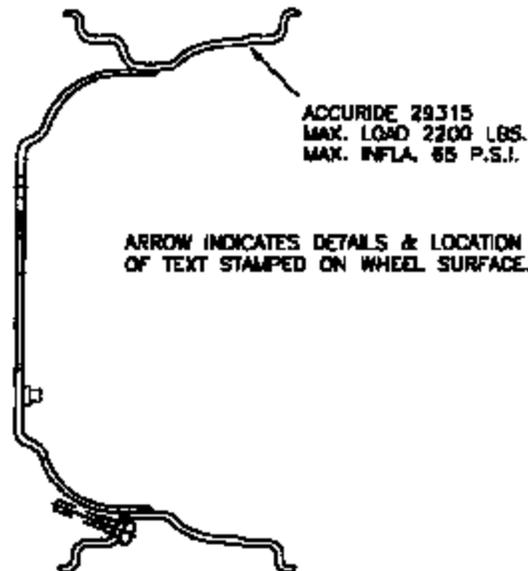
**If you have received a notice of recall or failure to comply from Fleetwood or any component manufacturer, you must repair or otherwise correct the defects before selling or leasing the vehicle.**

**If you have vehicles in your inventory that are included in any recall or failure to comply, you must assure that the vehicles have been repaired according to the notification before they are sold or leased.**

This bulletin is supplied for technical information only and is not an authorization for repairs.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Some motor homes included in this recall may have been sold to retail customers out of rental fleets. It is possible that these units may have more than one incorrect four-hole wheel installed because of tire repair/sequencing during rental fleet operation. You must inspect all ground contact wheel positions checking for one or more incorrect four-hole wheels.

3. If any wheel on the coach has four hand-holes, you must verify the stampings on the wheel.  
Most four-hole wheels are the incorrect wheel, although a few may be correct.
  - a. Clean the back or dished side of the four-hole wheel.
  - b. Locate the manufacturer's stampings on the wheel, near the bead area.
  - c. The incorrect four-hole wheel can be identified by the stamping "Accuride 29315, max. load of 2200 lbs, max. inflation of 65 psi". This wheel must be replaced.



- d. The correct four-hole wheel has the stamping "RUDEVECA VENEZUELA". A wheel with this stamping should not be replaced.

**NOTE:** The replacement wheel is a four-hole wheel, described in d above.

4. For all wheels requiring replacement, dismount the tire and remount and balance the tire (including new valve stem) according to normal tire installation and balancing methods.
5. Install any new ground contact wheel and tire assemblies. Torque wheel nuts to 140 lbs./ft. Install any wheel simulators or wheel covers removed in previous steps.
6. Attach spare tire assembly securely to the coach, install spare tire cover (if necessary) and return coach to customer in a clean condition.

**Defective parts must be returned for this repair**

**Use Flat Rate Code and Warranty Labor Allowance as follows:**

Recall XXXXX

X.X hrs.

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**For this Recall, add the correct suffix for each repair operation as follows:**

- 11 Unit inspected, found not to be defective
- 12 Unit inspected, found defective, repaired
- 13 Unit inspected, found defective, owner declined repairs
- 14 Unit inspected, found defective, missing parts
- 15 Unit inspected, found defective, need tools to fix
- 16 Unable to notify customer
- 17 Customer unreachable

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April 20, 2000

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(Amendment)

Mr. Kenneth N. Weinstein  
Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance  
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION  
400 Seventh Street S.W.  
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Safety Defect Report - Recall Campaign 00V-104 Amendment

Dear Mr. Weinstein,

The following is an amended Safety Defect Report for recall campaign 00V-104. Due to a miscommunication with our data source the original Safety Defect report dated April 7, 2000, did not completely cover the field of affected units. Please note the changes below (in bold) and accept our apologies for any inconvenience.

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- (2) The vehicles involved in this recall are:

1996 through 2000 model year Jamboree brand class "C" motor homes  
1996 through 2000 model year Tioga brand class "C" motor homes  
1996 through 1997 model year Montara brand class "C" motor homes

The involved Jamboree, Tioga and Montara brand class "C" motor homes were manufactured between July 1995 and April 2000.

These motor homes were built with a Fleetwood identification number range of 740ZT4461460 through 751BY5231965.

The first date coincides with the first application of this wheel. The second date coincides with the purchase and installation of a higher rated capacity wheel.

- (3) Fleetwood reports the following as an approximate number of motor homes containing the Noncompliance:

<u>Make</u>	<u>Model Year</u>	<u>Number of Motor Homes</u>
Montara	1996	228
Montara	1997	234
Jamboree	1996	223
Jamboree	1997	297
Jamboree	1998	270
Jamboree	1999	476
Jamboree	2000	388
Tioga	1996	136
Tioga	1997	299
Tioga	1998	425
Tioga	1999	513
Tioga	2000	408
Total		3897

- (4) Fleetwood estimates that 95% of identified motor homes contain the Noncompliance.
- (5) The identified motor homes were equipped with a spare wheel with insufficient weight carrying capacity when mated to a maximum loaded tire with which it is equipped.
- (6) Not applicable.

- (7) The Fleetwood Motor Home Engineering Services Group began investigation into this situation during January 2000 when an internal question was raised. Subsequent activities included a field investigation and the rerating analysis of the subject wheel to be of a higher load capacity.
- (8) The recall remedy will be to equip the motor homes with a higher capacity wheel. A Recall Service Bulletin will be provided that details the inspections and replacement of the affected wheel. This work will be done by either a Fleetwood Dealer, or a Fleetwood Parts and Service Center, or an authorized repair station. Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc., will pay for all materials and labor pertinent to the recall.

Fleetwood intends to conduct a Dealer mailing on April 26, 2000.

Fleetwood intends to conduct a Customer notification mailing on May 3, 2000.

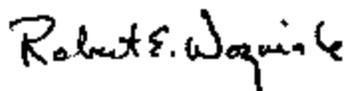
Fleetwood does not foresee any problems with implementing this voluntary recall campaign.

- (9) Copies of subsequent correspondence will be submitted to NHTSA within five (5) days of transmittal. This correspondence will include:

- I) Letter of Dealer Notification
- II) Letter of Customer Notification
- III) Recall Service Bulletin

In accordance with our customary practice, we are requesting your review of the enclosed drafts of letters to Dealers and Owners. Also enclosed is a draft of the Recall Service Bulletin which details the remedy to be applied to the subject motor homes.

Sincerely,



Robert E. Wozniak  
Director of Product Compliance - RV Group  
Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.

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