

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT
SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. **00V-263.001** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

SEP 13 2000

Part 573 Report Date: **September 11, 2000**

MANUFACTURER: **Coachmen Industries, Inc.**

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SUBJECT: **Coachmen travel trailers and fifth wheel vehicles equipped with breakaway switch assemblies manufactured by Tekonsha (and Bargman). An electrical switching component can cause the breakaway device to not work properly.**

This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

It is our understanding that Tekonsha is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign.

However, even though Tekonsha is conducting the campaign, we still need to get a listing of year, make, and model vehicles and how many vehicles are involved on which these breakaway switches were installed. Please provide this information as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please call:

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