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**National Highway
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Administration**

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NVS-215kjs
06C-006

Subject: FMVSS 213/INCORRECT ASSEMBLY OF THE CROTCH ANCHOR

Dear MR. MALONE:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent noncompliance information report. 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:
COMPASS/I420/9999

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06C-006

Mfg's Report Date: December 3, 2006

Components:
CHILD SEAT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,233

Summary:
CERTAIN COMPASS INFANT CHILD RESTRAINTS, MODEL I420 WITH FABRIC CODES OF ARD, FUU, OR MAR, MANUFACTURED BETWEEN MAY 7 AND MAY 15, 2006. THE CROTCH ANCHOR WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE BOTTOM OF THE SEAT WAS INSTALLED INCORRECTLY WHICH FAILS TO CONFORM TO FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 213, "CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEMS."

Consequence:

IN THE EVENT OF A VEHICLE CRASH, THE CROTCH ANCHOR CAN BECOME DISLODGED ALLOWING THE CHILD TO TRAVEL UP THE SEAT BACK CAUSING BREAKAGE IN THE UPPER SEAT BACK AND A SEAT BACK ROTATION, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN SERIOUS INJURY TO THE CHILD.

Remedy:

COMPASS WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND WILL MAIL A REPAIR KIT ALONG WITH REPAIR INSTRUCTIONS FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING DECEMBER 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT COMPASS TOLL-FREE AT 1-888-899-2229.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

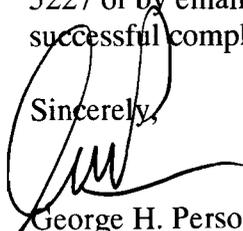
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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. The recall is expected to begin during December 2006. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due in this office 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. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement