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Re: Dometic Corporation; Appeal of Denial of Request for Establishment of a Commercial Requester Account – NHTSA Recall No. 06E076

Dear Mr. Bedard:

Dometic Corporation ("Dometic") is in receipt of your letter of July 27, 2007 regarding the denial of our request to establish a Commercial Requester Account for obtaining registration information for specific vehicles sold to or owned by residents of the State of California. The purpose of our request is to enable us to notify the owners of the vehicles in question of a safety-related recall being conducted by us on behalf of the manufacturers of those vehicles pursuant to the requirements of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration ("NHTSA"). Fifty (50) manufacturers, that represent over ninety (90) locations, to whom Dometic sold refrigerators for inclusion as original equipment in recreation vehicles are having us conduct this recall on their behalf. A list of the manufacturers is enclosed as Exhibit "A." If you would like copies of the manufacturers' letters authorizing Dometic to conduct the recall, we will provide them. Obtaining the requested information will enable Dometic to notify original and subsequent owners of affected vehicles of the potential safety issue and the recall. It is estimated that approximately 100,000 affected vehicles are owned by California residents.

As we have indicated, the purpose of this recall is to notify the vehicle owners of a potential safety defect in their vehicles. Under certain circumstances, the failure of Dometic refrigerators has resulted in fires in vehicles. Because these vehicles are used for both travel and accommodations, you can understand the critical nature of obtaining this information. The fires could occur either while the vehicles are being driven in which case it creates a safety issue on the highways of California or at night while the occupants are sleeping. The refrigerators in these vehicles operate on both electricity and natural gas. While operating on natural gas, an ignition source (pilot light) is

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present and can initiate fires when a leak allows the release of the coolant solution into the ignition chamber.

If it is able to obtain the registration information for the vehicles in question, Dometic will notify the owners and provide for the installation of a secondary burner housing to remedy this potential safety issue at no cost to the vehicle owners. The information we are requesting will be used for no other purpose than to fulfill our obligations under the NHTSA-mandated recall.

If you have any questions or require any other information in order to review and grant our initial application, please contact me. Without the ability to obtain this information, the safety of California residents, travelers and campers will be at risk.

Respectfully,

DOMETIC CORPORATION


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Exhibit "A"

Adventure Manufacturing
Allen Campers
Bearcat Corporation
Coach House, Inc.
Coachmen Industries/Consolidated Leisure Industries, LLC
Country Coach
Double Tree RV
Extreme RV
Fleetwood
Fleetwood Folding Campers
FMC
Forest River
Foretravel
Glendale RV
Gore
Grandeur
Gulf Stream
Hy-Line
Jensen
Lazy Daze
National RV
New Horizons
Newmar
Northwood Manufacturing
NRC Modifications
Nu Wa
Palomino
Pilgrim
R.C. Willett Co.
Recreation by Design
Renegade
Roadmaster
R-Vision
Scenic View
Skyline Corporation
Space Craft
Starcraft
Sun Valley
Sundowner Trailers
Sunnybrook
Teton
Thor Industries
Tiffin
Tracker
Transport Designs
Travel Supreme
Travelaire
Triple E
Universal Specialty Vehicle
Western RV