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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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GARY DUNCAN
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COACHMEN RECREATIONAL VEHICLE
423 NORTH MAIN STREET
MIDDLEBURY IN 46540

NVS-215dgl
08V-279

Subject: REFRIGERATOR/DOMETIC

Dear MR. DUNCAN:

This letter serves to acknowledge Coachmen Recreational Vehicle's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

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:

COACHMEN/ADRENALINE/2007-2008
COACHMEN/AURORA/2004-2007
COACHMEN/CAPRI/2004-2007
COACHMEN/CAPRI MICRO/2007
COACHMEN/CAPTIVA/2004-2007
COACHMEN/CASCADE/2004-2006
COACHMEN/CATALINA/2004-2005
COACHMEN/CHAPARRAL/2004-2007
COACHMEN/CHEYENNE/2004
COACHMEN/CONCORD/2004-2007
COACHMEN/CROSS COUNTRY/2004-2007
COACHMEN/EPIC/2006-2007
COACHMEN/FREEDOM/2004-2008
COACHMEN/FREELANDER/2004-2008
COACHMEN/GRAND HAVEN/2007
COACHMEN/LEPRECHAUN-MM/2004-2007

COACHMEN/MIRADA/2004-2007
COACHMEN/MIRADA LIBERTY EDITION/2004
COACHMEN/OASIS/2004
COACHMEN/RENDEZVOUS/2004
COACHMEN/REVERE/2004
COACHMEN/ROADMASTER-MM/2004
COACHMEN/SOMERSET DREAMCATCHER/2003-2004
COACHMEN/SPORTCOACH ENCORE/2005-2007
COACHMEN/SPORTSCOACH LEGEND/2004-2005
COACHMEN/SPORTSCOACH PATHFINDER/2007
COACHMEN/VELOCITY/2006
COACHMEN/WYOMING/2007
GEORGIE BOY/BELLAGIO MH/2005
GEORGIE BOY/CRUISE AIR XL/2005-2006
GEORGIE BOY/CRUISE MASTER/2005-2006
GEORGIE BOY/LANDAU/2005-2007
GEORGIE BOY/MAVERICK/2006-2008
GEORGIE BOY/PURSUIT/2005-2007
GEORGIE BOY/PURSUIT-MH/2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-252

Mfg's Report Date: June 23, 2008

Components: EQUIPMENT: RECREATIONAL VEHICLE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 37,293

Summary:

COACHMEN IS RECALLING 37,293 MOTORHOMES AND FIFTH WHEEL TRAVEL TRAILERS EQUIPPED WITH A TWO-DOOR REFRIGERATOR MANUFACTURED BY THE DOMETIC CORPORATION. THE REFRIGERATOR MAY HAVE A DEFECT IN THE BOILER TUBE. PRESSURIZED COOLANT SOLUTION COULD BE RELEASED INTO AN AREA WHERE AN IGNITION SOURCE (GAS FLAME) IS PRESENT.

Consequence:

EXTENDED OPERATION OF A LEAKING COOLING UNIT COULD LEAD TO A FIRE FROM GAS WHICH MIGHT ESCAPE.

Remedy:

COACHMEN IS WORKING WITH DOMETIC IN ORDER TO REPAIR THESE REFRIGERATORS (PLEASE SEE 06E076). DOMETIC WILL REPAIR THESE REFRIGERATORS BY INSTALLING A SECONDARY BURN HOUSING, A THERMAL FUSE, AND A MELT FUSE FREE OF CHARGE. DOMETIC HAS RETAINED STERICYCLE INC. TO MANAGE THIS CAMPAIGN. STERICYCLE WILL ASSIST THE OWNER IN LOCATING DEALERSHIPS OR SERVICE CENTERS AND WILL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE WITH SCHEDULING OF APPOINTMENTS. OWNERS MAY CONTACT DOMETIC/STERICYCLE AT 1-888-446-5157 OR COACHMEN AT 574-825-5821.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO 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).

This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ06-019, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

The information in your defect noncompliance report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

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

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 your report, Dometic will be handling the remedy and quarterly reporting for this campaign. However, please be advised that 49 CFR 573.6 provides that the vehicle manufacturer is responsible for any safety related defect or any noncompliance in the vehicle or any item of original equipment. If Dometic's campaign is not satisfactory, you may be required to conduct a follow-up notification.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at Patricia.wallace@dot.gov, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. Person', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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