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Mr. Daniel C. Smith
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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
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via Federal Express

RE: *Gulf Stream Coach, Inc. Initial Recall #13WG-2000*

Dear Mr. Smith:

Pursuant to Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Defect and Non-Compliance Reports, Gulf Stream Coach, Inc. ("GSC") submits the following information concerning a potential non-compliance, our **Initial Recall Report**.

GSC is conducting a voluntary compliance recall involving certain Class "A" and Class "C" recreational vehicle motor homes built in Goshen, Indiana manufacturing facility.

573.6 (c)(2) – Potentially Affected Vehicles

Certain model year 2001, including brands: Ultra, Conquest, Independence, Ultra Supreme, , Yellowstone and Cavalier motor homes built with the following floorplans: Model 6316 and 8325; all of which were manufactured in Goshen, Indiana facility during May 17th, 2000 to December 31, 2000 both dates inclusive. This is a new recall stemming from the previous 12WG-105 recall to include different production dates.

573.6 (c)(3) – Estimated Population of Vehicles Potentially Affected

Approximately (126) One Hundred Twenty-Six vehicles located in the United States.

573.6 (c)(4) – Estimated Percentage of Affected Vehicles with the Condition

Unknown.

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The refrigerator cabinet contains a route for electrical wiring from the floor to roof as a wiring raceway.

The condition is the 110 volt Romex wiring within the raceway may not be properly secured. This condition may cause wear and potential heat development between the exposed 110 volt Romex wire and the exposed heated refrigerator coils.

This condition creates points of possible wear due to vibration during vehicle operation and a potential for a thermal event, which over time could cause the 110 volt Romex wiring to short circuit. This condition could cause failure of the 110 volt electrical wiring routed to the microwave cabinet, thereby resulting in possible property damage, fire or bodily injury.

573.6 (c) (7) – Basis for Non-Compliance

GSC was made aware of the potential safety issue through our recent investigation of model 8325 motor home which was built **previous** to the manufacturing date range of the original Recall #12WG-105 concerning fire investigations on a 2002 Class “C” Ultra, model 6316 and a 2002 Class “A” Ultra Supreme, model 8325, both with identical refrigerator cabinet layouts and both manufactured in the same Goshen, Indiana facility.

573.6 (c) (8) – Service Program

GSC will mail the safety recall notice to owners of record of the affected vehicles. The owners will be instructed to take their vehicle to any authorized GSC Dealer or a repair facility capable of completing these repairs according to the work instructions provided. Servicing of the Vehicles covered by this recall that have the condition, such service will be at performed at no charge to the owners. It is currently anticipated that owner and dealer notification letters will be mailed on or before May 30, 2013.

573.6 (c) (10) – Press Statement and Dealer/Owner Letters

At this time, GSC has no plan to make a public statement concerning the subject matter. A copy of the notification letters to dealers and owners from GSC will be forwarded when available.

573.6 (c)(11) – Recall Number

GSC has assigned recall number **13WG-2000** to this action.

Sincerely,
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