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May 20, 2011

Mr. Daniel C. Smith  
Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Safety Defect Report

Dear Mr. Smith:

On May 16, 2011, Fleetwood RV, Inc., determined that a safety defect which relates to motor home vehicle safety exists in certain motor homes as listed below, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

The following is the information required by 49 CFR Part 573:

- This report was prepared on May 20, 2011
  - Fleetwood RV has assigned 110520FRV as an identification code to this recall.
- (1) The affected motor homes were manufactured by the following wholly owned subsidiaries of Fleetwood RV, Inc.

Fleetwood RV, Inc. #44  
1031 U.S. 224 E  
Decatur, Indiana 46733

The agency should contact the following individual with respect to this recall:

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National Warranty Manager  
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- (2) The vehicles involved in the recall are certain model year 2011 Bounder, Bounder Classic, Southwind, Storm, and Terra Class A gas motor homes, built on a Ford chassis.

Product	Serial Numbers	Manufactured Dates
2011 Bounder	739UB4405663 through 739HB4407566	5/4/2010 through 12/10/2010
2011 Bounder Classic	738BB4405819 through 738RB4407770	5/26/2010 through 1/18/2011
2011 Southwind	721VB4405665 through 721VB4407772	5/24/2010 through 1/26/2011
2011 Storm	785SB4405883 through 785FB4407714	5/21/2010 through 1/14/2011
2011 Terra	783DB4406157 through 783TB4407768	6/24/10 through 1/19/2011

- (3) Fleetwood RV reports 561 as the number of model year 2011 Bounder, Bounder Classic, Southwind, Storm, and Terra Class A gas motor homes, built on a Ford chassis, with the safety defect.
- (4) Fleetwood RV estimates that 100% of the affected model 2011 Bounder, Bounder Classic, Southwind, Storm, and Terra Class A gas motor homes, built on a Ford chassis contain the safety defect.
- (5) On motor homes affected by this recall, a wire harness routed under the motor home near the chassis rail can contact a heat shield located next to the passenger side Engine Exhaust Manifold. The heat can transfer from the heat shield to the harness and can melt or otherwise damage the wiring. A damaged wire harness can result in an electrical short, which can pose a risk of electrical shock and/or lead to a fire, and may result in loss of vehicle control, injury or death.
- (6) Not applicable.
- (7) Fleetwood RV began an investigation in February 2011 when damaged wire harnesses were reported by Fleetwood RV Dealerships.  
  
Fleetwood RV is not aware of any accidents or injuries which have resulted from this safety defect.
- (8) Fleetwood RV dealers will reroute the wire harness away from the heat shield. Wire harnesses determined as damaged by the inspection will be repaired.
- (9) Fleetwood RV intends to conduct a dealer notification by e-mail in June 2011.  
  
Fleetwood RV intends to conduct a customer notification in June 2011.  
  
Fleetwood RV does not foresee any problems with implementing this voluntary recall campaign.
- (10) Copies of subsequent correspondence will be submitted to the NHTSA within five (5) working days of distribution. This correspondence will include:
  - I) Letter of dealer notification
  - II) Letter of customer notification
  - III) Service Bulletin

A draft of these documents will be forthcoming for your review. If additional information is required, please contact Joyce Geels who can be reached by phone at (260) 724-5795 or by e-mail at [joyce.geels@fleetwoodrv.com](mailto:joyce.geels@fleetwoodrv.com).

Sincerely,



Craig S. Biazio  
National Warranty Manager