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Mr. Lonnie Skinkis Publications Manager Chance Coach, Inc. P.O. Box 19140 Wichita, KS 67204-9140 NVS-215 kjs 02E-017.003

Dear Mr. Skinkis:

We have reviewed Chance Coach, Inc.'s Defect Information Report dated August 16, 2002, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 109 Model 20-EDL TRW ball socket assemblies incorporated into ArvinMeritor aftermarket products. Certain TRW tie rod ball-socket bearings have a below specification case depth and/or hardness which can lead to premature deterioration of the socket in some applications. This could lead to tie rod end ball separation from the socket. The assigned NHTSA identification number for this campaign is 02E-017.003.

QUARTERLY REPORTS

As stated in Part 573.6, 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. Chance Coach's first quarterly report will be due in this office by October 30, 2002.

The following chart provides due dates for each of the six quarterly reports.

QUARTER	QUARTER BEGINS	QUARTER ENDS	DUE DATE
1 st Quarter	July 1, 2002	September 30, 2002 December 31, 2002	October 30, 2002 January 30, 2003
2 nd Quarter 3 rd Quarter	October 1, 2002 January 1, 2003	March 31, 2003	April 30, 2003
4 th Quarter 5 th Quarter	April 1, 2003 July 1, 2003	June 30, 2003 September 30, 2003	July 30, 2003 October 30, 2003
6 th Quarter	October 1, 2003	December 31, 2003	January 30, 2004





If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Kelly Schuler at (202) 366-5227 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

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