



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

**DEC - 8 2008**

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NVS-215kjs  
08C-009

Subject: FMVSS 213/AIRBAG WARNING LABEL/PARTIALLY OBSCURED

Dear MR. ALBERT:

This letter serves to acknowledge Graco Children's Products, Inc's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 213, "Child Restraint Systems," for the product listed 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:**

GRACO/8C04FRR (COMFORT SPORT)/9999  
GRACO/8C04FRR2 (COMFORT SPORT)/9999

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 08C-009

**Mfg's Report Date:** December 3, 2008 &  
Amended Report Date of December 8, 2008

**Components:**

CHILD SEAT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 43,994

**Summary:**

GRACO IS RECALLING 43,994 COMFORTSPORT(TM) CONVERTIBLE CAR SEATS, IN THE FRAZIER(TM) FASHION, MANUFACTURED FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2006 THROUGH OCTOBER 8, 2007. THESE SEATS WERE EQUIPPED WITH A LARGE SIZED, SUPPLEMENTAL PAD OR "BODY PILLOW" THAT PARTIALLY OBSCURES THE CHILD AIRBAG WARNING LABEL WHICH IS ON THE SEAT PAD. THE PARTIAL OBSCURING OF THIS LABEL FAILS TO CONFORM WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 213, "CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEMS".

**Consequence:**

SERIOUS INJURY COULD OCCUR TO THE CHILD SHOULD THE SEAT BE IMPROPERLY PLACED IN THE VEHICLE.

**Remedy:**

GRACO WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND INSTRUCT THEM TO DISCARD THE SUPPLEMENTAL PILLOWS. THE PILLOWS ARE PROVIDED FOR COMFORT ONLY AND DO NOT AFFECT THE SEAT'S ABILITY TO PROTECT YOUR CHILD IN THE EVENT OF A CRASH. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING DECEMBER 2008. OWNERS MAY CONTACT GRACO AT 1-800-345-4109 OR BY E-MAIL AT CONSUMERSERVICES@GRACOBABY.COM

**Notes:**

CUSTOMERS MAY 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).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

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

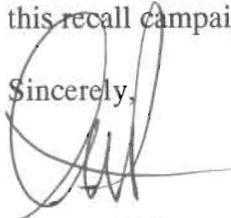
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

We have received Graco's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete. 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 Part 573.7, 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. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contacts for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, by email at [Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov](mailto:Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto: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 read 'G. Person', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

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