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To whom it concerns

For your information Urgent

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Subject : Manufacturer statement on Fireball ride accident on Ohio State Fair
Affected serials : FRB24 (serial numbers 01 up to and including 39)
FRB24P (serials 01, 02 and 03)
MVT24 (serials 00, 01, 02, 03 and 04)
MVT32 (serial 01)

Dear Mr./Mrs.,

KMG has conducted an investigation to determine the cause of an accident with a KMG Fireball. In this accident which happened on July 26th, a passenger carrying gondola detached from the supporting sweep arm of the ride also known as a KMG Afterburner. This particular ride was 18 years old.

The investigation included a visit to the accident scene in the company of a team of experts at the accident site in Columbus, Ohio, USA. They reviewed video footage of the incident and conducted a metallurgical inspection of the ride.

It was determined that excessive corrosion on the interior of the gondola support beam dangerously reduced the beam's wall thickness over the years. This finally led to the catastrophic failure of the ride during operation.

KMG has reviewed the results of the inspection and worked with industry safety experts to develop an inspection protocol in the form of a Safety Bulletin to allow properly inspected and maintained rides to safely reopen.

We trust to have you informed sufficiently.

Albert Kroon
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