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Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Thor California Recall Campaign No. 150030
NHTSA Recall 05V259000

Dear Sir:

I own a 2004 Thor Tahoe 36WTB, VIN 4XTFS362 [REDACTED] and received a recall notice from THOR regarding a problem with the Dexter Axle.

After looking at the GVW rating of 14,100 lbs of the RV I decided to call the Dexter Axle Company. I gave the the serial number [REDACTED] on the axle and they confirmed the dual axle of this RV was rated 6000 lbs per axle.

I than called the Carlisle Tire Company and they confirmed that the LT235/85 R16, Load Range E, that the maximum load per tire was 3042 lbs per tire and it is a two ply tire. We have recently had two blowouts on these tires with less than 3000 miles on them. The tires came off the rim and started rolling down the highway and cars had to swerve to miss them. From the top of the tire to the bottom of the wheel is 1 3/4 inche clearance. I do not feel this clearance is adequate for road conditions.

I have inspected many RV's, including the Tahoe, with three axles and they had 15 inch tires which would leave more room in the wheel well.

The toy haulers with three axles that I have looked at are 8 feet from the center of the rear axle to the back of the RV. On our Tahoe from the center of rear axle to the back of the RV is thirteen feet six inches.

Edinon
7/31/05

In this rear area space there is room to load two large ATV's, a 25 gallon fuel tank, a 35 gallon grey water tank, a spare tire, a heavy loading door and other items stored on the bed in the garage portion.

I realize this is a fifth wheel but as you are aware that when pulling it in various weather and driving conditions with all the load on these axles that at times they have a lot more weight than at other times.

I feel that this RV has some design flaws and it unsafe to drive on the road. Anything you could do to help resolve this problem would be greatly appreciated.


Sincerely,



Prescott, AZ 

Attachments

cc:  California

Our e-mail is 



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At least that is what their customer service department said when I called them today. "there is no recall for any Carlisle tireit is a myth"

* This post was edited 05/25/05 02:34pm by **[REDACTED]**

M. Dean Nix
 ex-Silent Service
 '01 F250, Crew Cab, 4x4, Lariat, LWB, V-10 & 4.3 rear-end
 '05 Gulf Stream Canyon Trail, 31FRBH
 38RQ Winnebago Chieftain P30 454 (Last RV, ebay purchase, great story)(SOLD)



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If they haven't recalled them they should.

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i have had luck with there tires.

2002 Chevy 2500HD 4X4 LS CC SB D/A
 2000 Skeeter ZX185 Team Skeeter Edition
 1998 Wilderness Model 34-5Y, 36', Triple Slide


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I was at my local tire store getting my Mission tires changed out last weekend because separating and I asked them about the Carlisle tires they sell. I was told that they have changed their tread pattern and are not having near the problems that they were having they are getting better??
 If ya have Mission Tires (replacements are Milestar) keep an eye on them, mine were : with only 3k miles on them.


Chuck
 2000 Dodge Ram
 2004 Cougar 285EFS

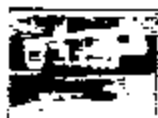

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My neighbor has already blown 2 missions and had \$3000+ in damage on his 04 Coug

2001 GMC 1500HD 4X4 6.0 305-70R-16 Wrangler MTR's 4.56 Yukon gears
 2004 Dutchman Classic 28BH-M5
 Yamaha 
 Eric, Brooke & Kids (10 & 12)



1999 McKenzie McKenzie -  object Seller

FOR SALE - FULL TIME RV RIG.Truck - 1995 UD 1800.150k mi. Amzoll oil & transmission fluid. Air:seats,suspension front & ... [more details](#)

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they had a recall on mine.

2001 Chevy Crew Cab 2500HD Short Bed. 4X4. 8.1/Allison
 2003 33ft Tahoe Fifth Wheel.

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does anyone know if there is a lot. part or other number I can check on my tires t see if the poor batch/year/etc? Our new oregon built wildcat cam with 18" crapsis and so far I am nervous..

All things in moderation, except acceleration!
 Zip tie, the duct tape of the new milenial

2001 F250 Powersmoke turbo diesel, 3.73LS
 Crew Cab, SRW, SB, 6 inch lift, Single 29 inch semi airhorn underneath! SCMT, A Pille

Pyro, boost and Trans gauges.
2005 Wildcat 29RLBS, Prodigy, 2 EU2000's Draw Tite 16K Signature Series, front rec board air, AirRite HD airbags
2003 Ford Explorer XLT 4X4, V8, 5sp AT, 3.73LS
2003 Ford Explorer Eddie Bower 4X4, V8 5sp AT, 3.73LS, Dual semi air horns underne
2002 XR50, PW50



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Just buy new tires. You'll enjoy life more. Get your choice of any top quality 16" highway LT tire with more than adequate load capacity. Cooper SRM II Radial LT is one of my c are Goodyear Wrangler HT, the excellent Goodyear G814RST, Michelin XPS Rib, and others.



I'm free of prostate cancer for two years now.
All men over age 50 should get an annual PSA blood test. Mine had a low reading, but jump was significant. The biopsy showed cancer just entering the aggressive stage. Dr Heckenslash removed it.



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Do a search for "Carlisle tires" and you will get the posts and also the tires that were of **HAVE NOT** done a recall on any of their tires. They WILL replace yours if you call the them of the failures you have. They will also issue a call tag for UPS to pick up the desk and they do that **VERY QUICKLY**.
Frank
Las Vegas, NV.



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sldrakejr,
Will have to wait for failure and contact them. thanks

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