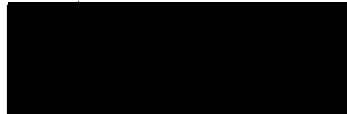




U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE.  
Washington, DC 20590

March 21, 2012



Naples, FL

Dear



NVS-216 rrr  
Ref. No. 10439511

Thank you for your correspondence concerning the Goodyear tires equipped on your model year (MY) 2009 Keystone Montana 3400 RL recreational vehicle (RV). The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation (ODI) received your correspondence. We regret any inconvenience our delay in responding may have caused you.

NHTSA is the Federal agency responsible for improving safety on our Nation's highways. We are authorized to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. We also monitor the adequacy of manufacturers' recall campaigns. In order for the agency to initiate an investigation, we look carefully at the body of consumer complaints and other available data to determine whether a defect trend may exist. We cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

You indicate that you experienced the left front and right tires blowing out in separate incidents in you MY 2009 Keystone Marathon 3400 RL RV. You allege that the Goodyear Marathon tires size RT235/80R16 equipped on your RV are under rated for the gross vehicle weight. You want these tires recalled because you feel they are a safety hazard.

ODI is actively monitoring all available data concerning blowouts in Goodyear Marathon trailer tires. However, no determinations have been reached at this time. For your information, the investigation and recall process can be found on our web site at [www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/recalls/recallprocess.cfm](http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/recalls/recallprocess.cfm). The information you provided has been entered into our database and will be considered with future reports to identify any safety defect trends that may require our attention.

Should you encounter a safety-related problem with a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment in the future, we would appreciate it if you would complete an electronic Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire online at [www.nhtsa.dot.gov/ivoq](http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/ivoq) or call the Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236. Also, a summary listing of vehicle owners' complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc. can be obtained at [www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems](http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems).



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Randy Reid". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Randy Reid, Chief  
Correspondence Research Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement