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Mechanicsburg, Ohio [REDACTED]

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Ref. No. 11245719

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter concerning your model year (MY) 2019 Heartland Pioneer recreational vehicle (RV). Your letter was received by The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation (ODI). I am pleased to respond.

We appreciate the report you provided. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. We reviewed our database to identify whether a safety defect trend exists regarding floorboard damage in MY 2019 Heartland Pioneer RV's.

At this time, there is insufficient evidence to warrant opening a safety defect investigation or to initiate a recall. We entered your information into our database. It will be considered with future reports to identify any safety defect trends that may require our attention. We recommend that you contact Heartland Recreational Vehicles or continue to work with your local dealer to resolve this matter.

You may consider contacting the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). This agency has jurisdiction over non-safety defects, paint, fraud or deception, warranty and dealership problems, remuneration matters, and fair-trade practices. There are three ways to contact the FTC: by toll free telephone at 877-382-4357; by mail at Federal Trade Commission, CRC-240, Washington, DC 20580; and by using the Internet complaint form at www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov.

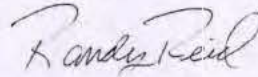
You may also consider contacting the Better Business Bureau (BBB) Auto Line. The BBB offers free mediation/arbitration to resolve disputes under guidelines established by the FTC. Remedies include repair, reimbursement, repurchase or replacement, depending on program eligibility. You can visit their website at www.bbb.org to file a complaint and review eligibility information, or call the BBB Auto Line at 800-955-5100.

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 completion rates and adequacy of manufacturers' recall

campaigns. An explanation of NHTSA's investigation and recall process is on our website at www.nhtsa.gov/sites/nhtsa.dot.gov/files/documents/mvdefectsandrecalls_808795.pdf

If you encounter a safety-related problem with a motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment in the future, we would appreciate it if you would complete an electronic Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire online at www.nhtsa.gov or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236. Also, a summary listing of vehicle owners' complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc. can be obtained at our website.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Randy Reid".

Randy Reid, Chief
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