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INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 04V-276 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **May 13, 2004**

Date Faxed: **June 16, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **Forest River, Inc., Cardinal Division**

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SUBJECT: Approximately 2,010 Forest River Forester, Georgetown, Lexington, Reflection, Regency, Sunseeker, Tsunami TMZ recreational vehicles. Certain seat belt buckles fail to conform to the load requirement of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 209, "Seat Belt Assemblies." The seat belt buckle may unlatch in the event of a vehicle crash, possibly resulting in personal injury to the seat occupant.

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be written only if we have additional comments or concerns.

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.

This recall was the subject of an investigation, EQ04-009, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

It is our understanding that AmSafe (04E-024) will be conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign.

NOTE: Please provide the beginning and ending manufacturing dates for the vehicles involved and also the model years involved.

If you have any questions, please call:

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