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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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DALE JORDAL
PRODUCT SAFETY ADMINISTRATOR
WINNEBAGO INDUSTRIES, INC.
605 WEST CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD
FOREST CITY IA 50436

NVS-215dgl
07V-445

Subject: GENERATOR'S INTERNAL CONTROLLER/CUMMINS

Dear MR. JORDAL:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:
ITASCA/NAVION/2008
WINNEBAGO/VIEW/2008

Mfg's Report Date: September 10, 2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-445

Components: EQUIPMENT: RECREATIONAL VEHICLE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 65

Summary:

ON CERTAIN MOTOR HOMES EQUIPPED WITH A 3.2 KW QD CUMMINS ONAN GENERATORS, THE GENERATOR'S INTERNAL CONTROLLER MAY FAIL; HOWEVER, THE ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS MAY REMAIN ENERGIZED. INCLUDED IN THESE CIRCUITS IS THE ELECTRONIC PREHEATED ELEMENT WHICH AIDS COLD STARTS AT AMBIENT TEMPERATURES BELOW 0 DEGREES CELSIUS. IN NORMAL OPERATION, THIS CIRCUIT IS ENERGIZED NO LONGER THAN 120 SECONDS AT 30 CELSIUS. IF THE CIRCUIT REMAINS ENERGIZED BEYOND THE DESIGNED PERIOD, THE PREHEATED ELEMENT CAN OVER HEAT.

Consequence:

IF THE ELEMENT OVER HEATS, A FIRE IN THE AIR INTAKE SYSTEM COULD OCCUR.

Remedy:

WINNEBAGO IS WORKING WITH CUMMINS TO REPLACE THE GENERATORS FREE OF CHARGE (PLEASE SEE 07E076). OWNERS MAY CONTACT CUMMINS AT 812-377-3713 OR WINNEBAGO AT 641-585-3535.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in your report, Cummins will be handling the owner notification, remedy and quarterly reporting for this campaign. However, please be advised that 49 CFR 573.6 provides that the vehicle manufacturer is responsible for any safety related defect or any noncompliance in the vehicle or any item of original equipment. If Cummins' campaign is not satisfactory, you may be required to conduct a follow-up notification.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at Patricia.wallace@dot.gov, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement