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Ms. Kathleen C. DeMeter, Director  
Office of Defects  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
National Highway Traffic Safety Admin.  
400 – 7th Street S.W.  
Washington, DC 20590

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Dear Ms. DeMeter:

Winnebago Industries, Inc. submits the following report pursuant to Part 573 of the NHTSA regulations. The numbered paragraphs below correspond to those found at Part 573.6(c).

1. Winnebago Industries, Inc.  
605 W. Crystal Lake Road  
Forest City, IA 50436
2. The motor vehicles potentially containing the defect are on certain 2006 model year Winnebago View<sup>®</sup> and Itasca Navion<sup>®</sup> motor homes. These motor homes were manufactured February 4, 2005 through February 28, 2006. The vehicles were identified using production records showing models and VINs.
3. The total number of vehicles potentially containing the defect is 1,582.
4. It is estimated that 100 percent of the vehicles contain the defect.
5. Winnebago Industries<sup>®</sup> has decided a safety defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists where the exterior slideout storage drawer can inadvertently slide out during normal highway operation. This has the potential to impact nearby persons or objects resulting in personal injury and/or vehicle and property damage.
6. On November 7, 2005, Winnebago Industries first heard of a slideout storage drawer coming open in transit when a customer's letter advised he had forgotten to latch the compartment. Winnebago Industries reviewed the design and began to develop a secondary catch. The secondary catch became standard on all units built beginning March 1, 2006. Two additional reports of inadvertent slideout storage drawer openings came on July 10, 2006 and August 25, 2006. Winnebago Industries reacted by sending a caution label to be installed on the drawer of all units built prior to March 1, 2006, reminding the owner to properly latch the drawer. An additional report of an inadvertent slideout storage drawer opening was received on November 6, 2006. In December 2006, the Office of Defects Investigation of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration opened a Preliminary Evaluation (PE06-058). On January 31, 2007, Winnebago Industries responded to requests made in that preliminary evaluation. Winnebago Industries conducted an evaluation of all pertinent data in February and March of 2007. As a result, a field action to install a secondary catch on all the subject vehicles has been approved.

7. N/A.

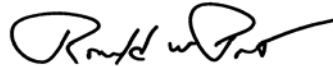
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8. Winnebago Industries will remedy this defective situation by installing a secondary catch similar to those installed on the Winnebago View and Itasca Navion models built after February 28, 2006. Winnebago Industries will immediately begin procuring parts sufficient to conduct a field campaign. As soon as it is known when parts will be available, Winnebago Industries will provide NHTSA with information identifying owner notification and dealer notification.
9. A copy of the dealer letter in draft form will be provided to NHTSA in a forthcoming letter.
10. A copy of the owner letter in draft form will be provided to NHTSA in a forthcoming letter.
11. The recall documents will carry the Winnebago Industries, Inc. Number 105.

Should you have questions regarding this information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Ronald W. Post  
Product Compliance Manager

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