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Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Vehicles

PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report¹

07V-204

(7 pages)

On 3-14, ²⁰⁰⁷199, Suburban [MFR] decided that (a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety)(a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. _____) exists in the motor vehicles listed below, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

Date this report was prepared: 4-18-07

Furnish the manufacturer's identification code for this recall (if applicable): 07E022000

1. Identify the full corporate name of the fabricating manufacturer of the vehicle being recalled. If the recalled vehicle is imported, provide the name and mailing address of the designated agent as prescribed by 49 U.S.C. §30164.

Forest River Inc. - Dallas, OR Division Plt #'s 22, 30

Identify the corporate official, by name and title, whom the agency should contact with respect to this recall.

Wade Greenwood - Warranty & Codes Manager

Telephone Number: 503 831 5410 Fax No.: 503 831 8209

Name and Title of Person who prepared this report.

Wade Greenwood
Warranty & Codes Mgr

Signed: Wade Greenwood

¹Each manufacturer must furnish a report, to the Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance, for each defect or noncompliance condition which relates to motor vehicle safety.

I. Identify the Vehicle Models Involved in the Recall

2. Identify the Vehicles Involved in the Recall, for each make and model or applicable vehicle line (provide illustrations or photographs as necessary to describe the vehicle), provide:

Make(s): Salem LE Model Years Involved: 07 Model(s): T19-T29, F22-F24

Production Dates: Beginning: 9/22/06 Ending: 4/9/07

VIN Range: Beginning: T105474 Ending: T105600

Vehicle Type: RV Bodystyle: Towable travel trailers + fifth wheels

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

Only LE models with standard 17" range

Make(s): Wildwood LE Model Years Involved: 07 Model(s): T19-T29, F23-F24

Production Dates: Beginning: 9/22/06 Ending: 4/9/07

VIN Range: Beginning: T134870 Ending: T134996

Vehicle Type: RV Bodystyle: Towable travel trailers + fifth wheels

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

Only LE models with standard 17" range

Make(s): _____ Model Years Involved: _____ Model(s): _____

Production Dates: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

VIN Range: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

Vehicle Type: _____ Bodystyle: _____

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

Identify the approximate percentage of the production of all the recalled models manufactured by your company between the inclusive dates of manufacture provided above, that the recalled model population represents. For example, if the recall involved Widgets equipped with certain items of equipment from January 1, 1996 through April 1, 1997, then what was the percentage of the recalled Widgets of all Widgets manufactured during that time period.

0%

II. Identify the Recall Population

3. Furnish the total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect or noncompliance.

Model	Year	Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved
T19	07	37
T22	07	55
T23	07	27
T24	07	2
T25	07	37
T27	07	50
T28	07	10
		220 total

Total Number Potentially Affected by the Recall:

188 (ranges)

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance: 0%

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined--in particular how the recalled models were selected and the basis for the beginning and final dates of manufacture of the recalled vehicles:

Picked start date based on build date of defective appliance. Pulled coach files of various dates after that to contain or isolate appliance numbers. Consecutive coach file numbers had appliance numbers both before, and after, given appliance serial number range. Random follow up showed same.

Picked finish date well past 188 units built in worst case that we had purchased all.

III. Describe the Defect or Noncompliance

5. Describe the defect or noncompliance. The description should address the nature and physical location of the defect or noncompliance. Illustrations should be provided as appropriate.

Certain 3 burner ranges, match lights contain oven thermostats that can allow gas through.

Describe the cause(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Defective valves purchased and installed on certain ranges

Describe the consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Could build up unburned propane in oven that could flash during range burner start up

Identify any warning which can (a) precede or (b) occur.

a. none b. flash of unexpected gas being ignited (ignited)

If the defect or noncompliance is in a component or assembly purchased from a supplier, identify the supplier by corporate name and address.

Suburban Manufacturing Co

676 Broadway St

Dayton TN 37321

423-775-2131

Identify the name and title of the chief executive officer or knowledgeable representative of the supplier:

Arthur W Klee Director of Marketing

Neil Stultz Director of Service

IV. Provide the Chronology in Determining the Defect/Noncompliance

If the recall is for a defect, complete item 6, otherwise item 7.

6. With respect to a defect, furnish a chronological summary (including dates) of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination of the defect. The summary should include, but not be limited to, the number of reports, accidents, injuries, fatalities, and warranty claims.

7. With respect to a noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data (in chronological order and including dates) on which the noncompliance was determined.

6- Supplied by appliance manufacturer.

V. Identify the Remedy

8. Furnish a description of the manufacturer's remedy for the defect or noncompliance. Clearly describe the differences between the recall condition and the remedy.

The appliance manufacturer will notify all dealers, and from that contact point, notify retail customers to bring any affected units in to dealership. Manufacturer (Suburban) will authorize and reimburse the dealer for replacement of defective part. Suburban will track results.

Clearly describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/assembly versus the recalled component/assembly.

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Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production. If the production remedy was identical to the recall remedy in the field, so state. If the product was discontinued, so state.

Units built in suspected time range had been long built and shipped

VI. Identify the Recall Schedule

Furnish a schedule or agenda (with specific dates) for notification to other manufacturers, dealers/retailers, and purchasers. Please, identify any foreseeable problems with implementing the recall.

Supplied by Suburban Manufacturing

VII. Furnish Recall Communications

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, or purchaser. This includes all communications (including both original and follow-up) concerning this recall from the time your company determines the defect or noncompliance condition on, not just the initial notification. *A DRAFT copy of the notification documents should be submitted to this office by Fax (202-366-7882) for review prior to mailing.*

Note that these documents are to be submitted separately from those provided in accordance with Part 573.8 requirements.



Suburban
Manufacturing Company
a subsidiary of AIRXCEL, Inc.

March 30, 2007

*TRM
4-12-07
Mike, Do you have
the coach #s that any
of these were put in??
[Signature]*

Mr. Mike Jordan
Forest River, Inc.
1429 South East Euglow
Dallas, OR 97338

Dear Mr. Jordan:

As you are aware, Suburban is conducting a recall of 188 match light gas ovens (Model Number SRNA3SBBM) that contain an oven control which can allow gas flow to the oven burner during the lighting sequence. We have contacted the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and we have been assigned NHTSA Campaign Number 07E-022. We apologize for any inconveniences this is creating for your company.

We recently furnished you with purchase order numbers and serial numbers of product that was sold to you. We have requested that you furnish us with the names of the RV dealers that you may have sold this product to for us to contact about this recall. We hope to receive this information from you soon so we can contact your dealers to whom you sold these coaches. We would like to get this part changed out before these coaches are sold to retail customers.

If any of these coaches were sold to a retail customer, it was our intention to contact these retail customers directly. However, we have now been advised by NHTSA that these letters must now be sent by the coach manufacturer, or at least on the letterhead of the coach manufacturer. We can provide you with a draft copy of what needs to be sent so you can send this out, or we can send retail customer letters out for you on your letterhead. Either way, the final form of the retail customer letter must be approved by NHTSA before it is sent. Additionally, we will need copies of these letters so we can track the progress on getting the recall work performed. Please let us know how you prefer these retail letters be sent.

Also, it is our understanding that NHTSA requires you to file with NHTSA a separate PART 573 Defect Report covering the subject ovens. If you need assistance with information on the required filing, you may want to contact Kelly Schuler who is handling this recall at NHTSA. Mrs. Schuler's telephone number is 202-366-5227 and her email is KELLY.SCHULER@DOT.GOV.