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Ms. Kathy DeMeter, Director
Office of Defects Investigation
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[®] submits the following report pursuant to Part 573 of the NHTSA regulations. The numbered paragraphs below correspond to those found at Part 573.5(c).

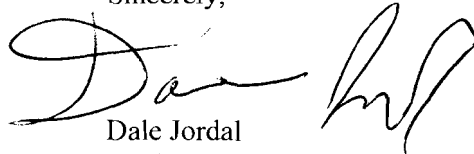
1. Winnebago Industries, Inc.
P.O. Box 152
Forest City, IA 50436
2. The motor vehicles potentially containing the defective component are: Certain 2008 Winnebago[®] model View and Itasca[®] model Navion motor homes equipped with a 3.2 kW QD Cummins Onan generator. These motor homes were built between June 11, 2007 through August 3, 2007. The vehicles are being identified using the model number and production records showing VINs.
3. The total number of vehicles potentially containing the defective component is: 65.
4. It is estimated that 100 percent of the vehicles contain the defect.
5. The defect involves the generator's internal controller. If the controller fails, there is an opportunity for the electrical circuits to remain energized. Included in these circuits is the electronic preheater 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 preheater element can over heat with the possibility of a fire in the air intake system.
6. Winnebago Industries discovered the defect as a result of a September 7, 2007 e-mail from Steven R. Butler, Director-Product Safety at Cummins decision to perform a voluntary recall on their generators.
7. N/A.
8. Winnebago will assist Cummins to correct the situation by sending them a list containing the names and addresses of our owners and dealers who have the affected generators installed on their motor homes. Cummins Inc. will be conducting the recall.
9. N/A.
10. N/A.
11. N/A.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale Jordal". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a distinct "J".

Dale Jordal
Product Safety Administrator

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Enclosure



September 7, 2007

Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Sir or Madam:

The following information is submitted in accordance with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's reporting regulations, 49 CFR Part 573.6.

Cummins Inc. (Cummins) has decided that there is a potential safety-related defect with respect to the controls system in 3.2 kW QD Cummins Onan branded generators installed as original equipment in those motor vehicles identified below.

1. Product identification and customer channels.

This defect involves 3.2 kW QD generators shipped for use in recreational vehicle applications between May 21, 2007 and August 9, 2007. There are 65 generators in the subject population that we intend to campaign.

All 3.2 kW QD generators in the subject population are covered by this recall. The generator serial numbers eligible for this campaign range from 71500001 to 72100066. All units were supplied to one OEM (Winnebago Industries).

- 2. Identification of the item:** Generator
Make: Cummins Onan
Model: 3.2 kW QD
Part Number: HDZAA
Function: Auxiliary power source for
Recreational Vehicles

3. Estimated extent of defect population.

Cummins will pursue a 100% recall on all generators in the subject population. Cummins notes that the Company has voluntarily decided to conduct this recall.

4. Description of defect.

If the generator's internal controller fails, the results include the opportunity for electrical circuits to remain energized. Included in these circuits is the electronic preheater 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 preheater element can over heat with the possibility of a fire in the air intake system.

These generators are manufactured by Dometic Corporation and are private branded for Cummins Onan. Dometic can be contacted as follows:

Dometic WTA
Gabriele Agostini
Via Virgilio 3, 47100 Forlì (FC) Italy
+39 0543 754213
gabriele.agostini@dometicwta.com

5. Chronology of events.

Shipments of the 3.2 kW QD generator commenced May 21, 2007. On August 22, 2007, Cummins received a report of a recreational vehicle experiencing a fire that was contained within the generator housing.

In response to this report, Cummins Service Engineering and Cummins Product Engineering investigated the failure and coordinated problem solving activities. On August 30, 2007, these activities led to a management decision to conduct a safety campaign on recreational vehicles equipped with the 3.2 kW QD Cummins Onan generator.

To date, Cummins is not aware of any injuries, fatalities, or crashes that were the result of this defect.

6. Remedy program.

Cummins will replace or, as appropriate, rework all generators in the subject population.

7. Part 577 notice letter.

The customer notice letter is in the process of being prepared and will be submitted in draft to the agency as soon as possible.

8. Conduct of recall campaign.

Subject to concurrence of its OEM customer (Winnebago Industries), Cummins will be conducting the respective recalls with the customers of Winnebago.

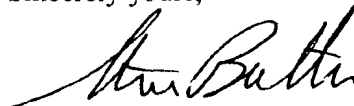
9. Customer/owner notifications.

Because of the possibility of a fire, Cummins provided advance notice to affected owners of the subject generators on August 31, 2007, pending completion of its defect notice process with NHTSA (see attached).

Cummins intends to send its Part 577 letters to customers on an immediate basis as soon as the agency has completed its review of the draft customer notice letter.

Please advise the undersigned of the recall campaign number assigned by the Office of Defects Investigation to this recall. Cummins campaign code for this recall will be Cummins Onan Campaign 754

Sincerely yours,



Steven R. Butler
Director – Product Safety

Phone: 812-377-3713

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E-mail: steven.r.butler@cummins.com

On Cummins Onan letterhead...

August 31, 2007

Federal Express delivery

Name
Street
City, State ZIP

RE: PRODUCT SAFETY CAMPAIGN –
FORMAL SAFETY NOTICE TO FOLLOW
3.2 QD Cummins Onan Generators

Dear Mr./Mrs./Ms. (last name of customer),

Through ongoing testing and analysis, it has been determined that 3.2 QD Cummins PowerGen/Onan generator sets installed in Winnebago View and Itasca Navion motor homes sold prior to August 27, 2007 have a safety defect. This defect is in the generator's control panel and can result in a fire during normal operation. Our records indicate that you have recently purchased one of these units.

Cummins PowerGen/Onan urges that you not operate or start your generator for any reason, and in anticipation of notice of our formal safety campaign, that you deliver the generator to your nearest Onan dealer or Cummins distributor location for service. At that time the generator will be removed from the motor home and you will be given a receipt entitling you to receive a new replacement generator, free of charge, once a new design has been identified and implemented. If you prefer to retain your generator until a new replacement generator is available, the service will involve disconnecting the generator to further ensure that it will not be operated pending your receipt of a replacement. In either case there will be no charge to you.

A new Cummins PowerGen/Onan service directory is enclosed to assist you in selecting the nearest service location.

In addition, in the next several days you can expect to receive a second letter notifying you of this safety campaign in accordance with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's regulations. However, keep in mind that until your generator is replaced, you must NOT attempt to use the generator and should take it the nearest dealer for the above described service.

Cummins PowerGen/Onan values you as a customer and apologizes for any inconvenience presented by this situation.

Sincerely,

Director of Customer Service

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