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October 1, 2007

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DEFECTS INVESTIGATION
RECALL MGMT DIV.

Daniel C. Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement --NVS-200
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Room 5231
400 Seventh Street S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Forest River, Inc. has determined that there is a noncompliance to FMVSS Standard 567. We have determined that the Federal Compliance Label does not have the correct tire and rim size for the Model T26QBLE recreational travel trailer. We are enclosing the Letter of noncompliance, dealers and retail customer letter. We have captured all of the VIN numbers of the units that we did not correct in production and those awaiting shipment.

Sincerely

Forest River, Inc.
Warranty and Service Department



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«DealerName»

«DealerAddress»

«DealerCity»,«DealerState»«DealerZip»

RE: VIN «VIN»

Dear «DealerName»

Forest River, Inc. has determined that the Federal Compliance Label and the Tire and Loading Information Label located on the lower roadside front of the unit contain improper listing of the tire and rim. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Department we are required to make the necessary correction. Enclosed are corrected labels. Please clean the area of the incorrect label with alcohol or a non-residue clearer and apply the corrected label over the top of it.

If you have any questions please contact our Warranty and Service Department at 574-534-3167.

We regret any inconvenience this may have caused.

Sincerely,

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«RetailerFirstName»«RetailerLastName»
«RetailAddress»
«RetailCity»,«RetailState» «RetailZip»

RE: VIN: «VIN»

Dear «RetailerLastName»,

Forest River, Inc. has determined that the Federal Compliance Label and the Tire and Loading Information Label located on the lower roadside front of the unit contain improper listing of the tire and rim. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Department we are required to make the necessary correction.

Enclosed are corrected labels. Please clean the area of the incorrect label with alcohol or a non-residue clearer and apply the corrected label over the top of it.

If it is more convenient you may take your trailer to your dealer and have him put on the labels.

If you have any questions please contact our Warranty and Service Department at 574-534-3167.

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Forest River, Inc.
Warranty and Service Department

Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Vehicles
PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report⁽¹⁾

On 9/18, 2007, Forest River Inc. [MFR] decided that (a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety)(a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 567) 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: 10/1/2007

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

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. Wildwood and Salem Division

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

William G. Conway Jr.

Telephone Number: 574-534-6913 Fax No.: 574-534-5011

Name and Title of Person who prepared this report.

William G. Conway Jr.

Signed:

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:

Wildwood and Salem model T26QBLE

Make(s): Wildwood and Salem **Model Years Involved:** 2008 **Model(s):** T26QBLE

Production Dates: Beginning: Ending:

VIN Range: Beginning: 4X4TSMB208R396378 **Ending:**
4X4TWDB2X8R338041

Vehicle Type: Bodystyle: Recreational Travel Trailer

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall: Model number of T26QBLE

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:

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.

All

II. Identify the Recall Population

3. Furnish the total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect or noncompliance. 263 units

Number of Vehicles

Model Year Potentially Involved 2008

**Total Number Potentially Affected by the
Recall: _____ 263 _____**

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance: 100%

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: All units built up to 9/18/2007 of model T26QBLE had the incorrect tire size on the labels.

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.

The Federal Compliance tag as well as the Tire and Loading Information Tag indicates the tire sizes are ST205/75D15/D with 15x6.0JJ Rims. The correct tires and wheels being put on the unit are ST205/75D14/C tires with 14X5.5JJ Rims.

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

The may be confusion as to the proper replacement tire if it is necessary.

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

Incorrect information

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

It is an information correction

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

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

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.

The defect was discovered during a routine inspection audit.

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.

Visual inspection of the labels.

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.

Forest River, Inc. will send a corrected Federal Compliance tag and a Tire and Load Information Tag to the dealer or retail customer of each unit. They can be placed over the incorrect label after cleaning the surface with Alcohol.

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

New labels

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.

The tire information was corrected on unit produced 9/20/2007.

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.

Forest River will send out new labels with instructions.

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.

1. 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.

This guide was developed from 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports" and also outlines information currently requested. Any questions, please consult the complete Part 573 or contact Mr. Jon White at (202) 366-5227 or by FAX at (202) 366-7882.

The Privacy Act of 1974 - Public Law 93-579, As Amended: *This information is requested pursuant to the authority vested in the National Highway Traffic Safety Act and subsequent amendments. You are under no obligation to respond to this questionnaire. Your response maybe used to assist the NHTSA in determining whether a manufacturer should take appropriate action to correct a safety defect. If the NHTSA proceeds with administration enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.*