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October 29, 2007

**VIA E-MAIL
RECEIPT CONFIRMATION REQUESTED**

07V-518
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Mr. George H. Person
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Office of Defects Investigation
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Keystone RV Company
Defect and Non-Compliance Report

Dear Mr. Person:

Keystone RV Company ("Keystone") has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in the recreational 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.

- A. Recall Population and Vehicle Identification. The recall population includes the following product brands manufactured by Keystone.

<u>Product Brand</u>	<u>Number of Vehicles</u>
2007 Hideout Travel Trailers Production Dates: 10/1/2007 – 10/12/2007 VIN Range: 4YDT19F268N202117 - 4YDT23R208N202250	52
2008 Energy Travel Trailers Production Dates: 10/3/2007 – 10/11/2007 VIN Range: 4YDT260208N830002 - 4YDT230278N830013	10

The total number of vehicles subject to this recall campaign is: 62

- B. Description of Defect. The vehicles subject to this recall campaign may have been manufactured with the incorrect hanger & shackle bolt torque. If the bolts do not have the proper torque applied, they could come off the vehicle while driving causing poor vehicle handling and an increased risk of a crash.

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- C. Basis for Determining that a Defect Exists. During an internal audit of the axle suspension torque at the manufacturing plant it was discovered several vehicles had improper torque on the suspension hardware. After investigation it was determined the cause was employee turnover. All vehicles manufactured after the new employee started and up to the time the defect was discovered are included in the recall.
- D. Remedying of Defect. The remedy is to verify the shackle bolts have the correct torque and correct if necessary.
- E. Owner Notifications. Keystone has notified dealers with affected vehicles on October 18, 2007. No vehicles are retail sold.
- F. Quarterly Reporting Requirements. Keystone will be filing quarterly reports in connection with this recall campaign.
- G. Campaign Number. Keystone's identification code for this recall is 07-095.

If you need any additional information regarding this recall campaign, please feel free to contact me at 574-537-3925.

Sincerely,

Garett Carolus
Keystone RV Company
Technical Manager