



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

December 24, 2008

MR. GARETT CAROLUS
TECHNICAL MANAGER
KEYSTONE RV COMPANY
2642 HACKBERRY DRIVE
GOSHEN, IN 46526

NVS-215dgl
08V-685

Subject: PART 567/INCORRECT INFORMATION

Dear MR. CAROLUS:

This letter serves to acknowledge Keystone RV Company's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment," in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:
KEYSTONE/LAREDO/2008

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-685

Mfg's Report Date: December 1, 2008

Components: EQUIPMENT: OTHER: LABELS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 10

Summary:

KEYSTONE IS RECALLING 10 MY 2008 LAREDO FIFTH WHEEL TRAVEL TRAILERS FOR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF PART 567, 'CERTIFICATION.' THE FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION LABEL AND TIRE AND LOADING INFORMATION LABEL DOES NOT CONTAIN THE CORRECT GROSS AXLE WEIGHT RATING (GAWR). THE LABEL INDICATES A CAPACITY OF 6,000 LBS, BUT INSTEAD SHOULD READ 5,080 LBS. ALSO THE TIRE SIZE AND MAXIMUM INFLATION PRESSURE IS LISTED AT 235/80/R16E AT 80 PSI AND IT SHOULD BE 225/75/R15D AT 65 PSI MAXIMUM INFLATION.

Consequence:

LOADING THE VEHICLE BEYOND THE ACTUAL GAWR COULD RESULT IN POOR VEHICLE HANDLING CHARACTERISTICS, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

OWNERS WILL BE PROVIDED WITH CORRECTED LABELS AND INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS. IF AN OWNER DESIRES, THEY CAN HAVE THEIR DEALER REPLACE THE TAGS FOR THEM. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JANUARY 2009. OWNERS MAY CONTACT KEYSTONE RV AT 1-866-425-4369.

Notes:

KEYSTONE RECALL NO. 08-114. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

The information in your noncompliance report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 except for the following items:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at Patricia.wallace@dot.gov, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Person", written in a cursive style.

George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement

cc: David M. Mihalick
Thor Industries, Inc.