

July 17, 2008

VIA E-MAIL
RECEIPT CONFIRMATION REQUESTED

Mr. Daniel Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Ave. S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

08V-367
(2 pages)

Re: Airstream
Defect and Non-Compliance Report

Dear Mr. Smith:

Airstream has been notified by Dometic concerning a safety related defect in certain two-door refrigerators manufactured between June 1, 2003 and September 30, 2006. Dometic has already initiated a safety recall campaign with respect to this non-compliance. NHTSA has assigned recall number 08E-032 to the Dometic recall campaign.

Pursuant to Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, we are hereby notifying the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that certain vehicles manufactured by Airstream were built with Dometic refrigerators that may contain the safety related defect.

As more specifically set forth below, Dometic has agreed to conduct the recall campaign involving the defective refrigerators. Airstream will provide Dometic with a list of dealers and owners to assist Dometic in remedying the defect. Dometic will be filing the quarterly reports in connection with the recall campaign.

- A. Recall Population and Vehicle Identification. The defective refrigerators supplied by Dometic have been used on the following trailers and motorhomes:

<u>Model</u>	<u>Years Affected</u>
Safari	2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
International	2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
Interstate	2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
Parkway	2006
Land Yacht	2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
Classic	2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
SkyDeck	2004, 2005, 2006

These trailers and motorhomes were manufactured between June 2003 and September 2006.

The total number of trailers and motorhomes subject to this recall campaign is 4450.

- B. Description of Defect. Under some circumstances, a fatigue crack can develop in the boiler tube of the covered refrigerators, which can permit the release of pressurized

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coolant solution. If this solution is exposed to an ignition source under certain specific circumstances, it can result in a vehicle fire.

- C. Basis for Determining that a Defect Exists. Dometic advised Airstream of its defect determination by letter on June 20, 2008.
- D. Remedying of Defect. As set forth in the notification issued by Dometic in connection with recall campaign 08E-032, Dometic will remedy the refrigerator if found to be defective. The owners of the vehicles subject to this recall campaign will be advised to contact Dometic in order to make arrangements to have the remedy completed by Dometic. Dometic will implement the recall campaign in accordance with the procedures specified in recall campaign 08E-032. Dometic has agreed to remedy the defect without charge to the owners.
- E. Owner Notifications. Airstream will work with Dometic to notify the owner's of the recalled vehicles. A copy of the owner's letter will be forwarded shortly for approval.
- F. Dealer Notifications. Airstream will work with Dometic to notify its dealers of the recalled vehicles. A copy of the dealer's letter will be forwarded shortly for approval.
- G. Quarterly Reporting Requirements. Dometic will be responsible for filing quarterly reports in connection with recall campaign 08E-032. Because the information included by Dometic in its quarterly reports will encompass the remedying of the Airstream vehicles subject to this recall campaign, Airstream will not file quarterly reports to avoid duplication.
- H. Campaign Number. Airstream does not have an internal campaign number for this recall. Airstream will use the recall campaign number assigned by NHTSA.

The enclosed information should comply with the NHTSA regulations and satisfy the obligations of Airstream with respect to this recall campaign. If you need any additional information regarding the participation of Airstream in this recall campaign, please feel free to contact me at 937-596-6849, Ext. 7363 or Airstream at 937-596-6111.

Sincerely,



David M. Mihalick
Thor Industries
Standards Compliance Manager