

October 23, 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-565
(2 pages)

Re: Four Winds Corporation
Defect and Non-Compliance Report

Dear Mr. Smith:

Four Winds has been notified by Workhorse Custom Chassis concerning a safety defect involving chassis built between May 10, 2005 and May 8, 2008 inclusive. Workhorse Custom Chassis has already initiated a safety recall campaign with respect to this non-compliance. NHTSA has assigned recall number 08V-442 to the Workhorse Custom Chassis 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 motorhomes manufactured by Four Winds were built with Workhorse Custom Chassis chassis that contain the defect.

As more specifically set forth below, Workhorse Custom Chassis has agreed to conduct the recall campaign involving these defective chassis. Four Winds will provide Workhorse Custom Chassis with a list of dealers and owners to assist Workhorse Custom Chassis in remedying the defect. Workhorse Custom Chassis will be filing the quarterly reports in connection with the recall campaign.

- A. Recall Population and Vehicle Identification. The defective chassis supplied by Workhorse Custom Chassis have been used on the following motorhomes:

Make	Models	Model Years
Hurricane	30Q, 31D, 31H, 32E	2007, 2008
Windsport	30Q, 31D, 31H, 32E	2007, 2008

These motorhomes were manufactured between February 2006 and March 2008.

The total number of motorhomes subject to this recall campaign is 49. 33 of these motorhomes were exported outside of the United States.

- B. Description of Defect. The defective chassis contain castle nuts that retain the steering drag link to the pitman arm that may have been improperly torqued

during assembly. If the drag link were to separate from the pitman arm, the driver would not have directional control of the vehicle possibly causing a crash and potentially resulting in property damage, personal injury, or death.

- C. Basis for Determining that a Defect Exists. Four Winds received notification from Workhorse Custom Chassis in October 2008 that the defect with the chassis exists.
- D. Remedying of Defect. As set forth in the notification issued by Workhorse Custom Chassis in connection with recall campaign 08V-442, Workhorse Custom Chassis will correct the chassis if found to be defective. The owners of the motorhomes subject to this recall campaign will be advised to contact Workhorse Custom Chassis in order to make arrangements to have the remedy completed by Workhorse Custom Chassis. Workhorse Custom Chassis will implement the recall campaign in accordance with the procedures specified in recall campaign 08V-442. Workhorse Custom Chassis has agreed to remedy the defect without charge to the owners.
- E. Owner Notifications. Workhorse Custom Chassis will notify the owner's of the motorhomes on behalf of Four Winds. A copy of the owner's notification letter was submitted with recall 08V-442.
- F. Dealer Notifications. Workhorse Custom Chassis will notify the Dealer's of the motorhomes on behalf of Four Winds. A copy of the Dealer's notification letter was submitted with recall 08V-442.
- G. Quarterly Reporting Requirements. Workhorse Custom Chassis will be responsible for filing quarterly reports in connection with recall campaign 08V-442. Because the information included by Workhorse Custom Chassis in its quarterly reports will encompass the remedying of the Four Winds motorhomes subject to this recall campaign, Four Winds will not file quarterly reports to avoid duplication.
- H. Campaign Number. Four Winds does not have an internal campaign number for this recall. Four Winds will use the recall campaign number assigned by NHTSA.

The enclosed information should comply with the NHTSA regulations and satisfy the obligations of Four Winds with respect to this recall campaign. If you need any additional information regarding the participation of Four Winds in this recall campaign, please feel free to contact me at 937-596-6849, Ext. 7363 or Four Winds at 800-860-5658.

Sincerely,



David M. Mihalick
Thor Industries, Standards Compliance Manager