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September 11, 2008

Ms. Patricia Wallace
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Mail Code NVS-215
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Skyline Travel Trailer Recall for Axle Bolt Installation
Recall 08V-399

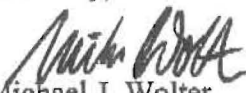
Dear Ms. Wallace:

Attached please find a copy of the final letter sent to vehicle owners by Skyline Corporation for recall 08V-399. The final letter has been modified as requested in your letter dated August 26, 2008.

The letter and consumer information card were mailed to vehicle owners on September 11, 2008. Accordingly, quarterly reports of the status of the recall will begin this calendar quarter, with the first report submitted to your office by October 30, 2008.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please contact me with any questions or for additional information.

Sincerely,


Michael J. Wolter
Manager, Legal Department

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Subject: Skyline Axle Attachment Bolt Recall

Dear Valued Skyline Travel Trailer Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

REASON FOR THIS RECALL

Skyline Corporation, on behalf of its subsidiary manufacturing center in Hemet California, has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2007 & 2008 model year Freestyle, Rampage and TrailRider Model 281 recreational vehicles manufactured between June 1, 2006 and May 31, 2008.

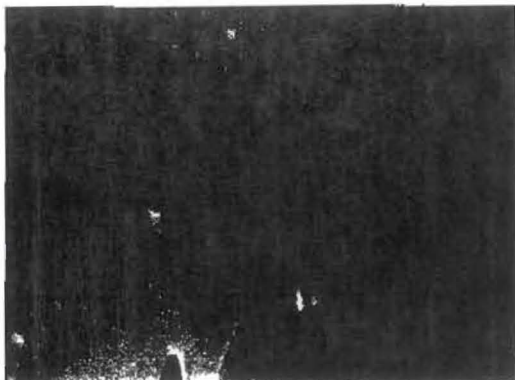
The Problem:

Specifically, certain 2007 & 2008 model year Freestyle, Rampage and TrailRider Model 281 recreational vehicles may have had the axle attaching bolts, that attach the axles to the chassis, improperly installed. The clearance between the tires and these attaching bolts on this model require that the head of the attaching bolt be installed on the tire side of the axle hangers and/or shackles. We are currently aware of at least two vehicles where the bolts were installed from the wrong side. One of the two vehicles experienced tire damage.

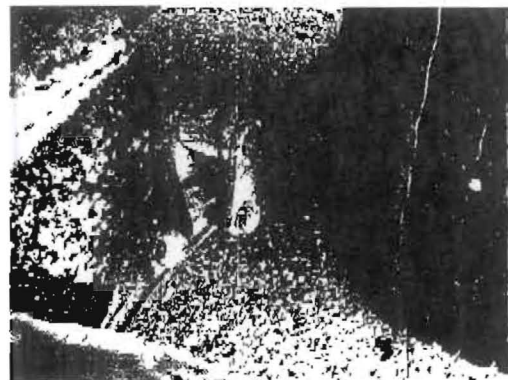
Affected Vehicle Models:

The vehicles covered by this recall are model years 2007 and 2008 Freestyle, Rampage and TrailRider Model 281 recreational vehicles.

While it is our belief only a small number of the affected vehicles may have had the bolts improperly installed, it is critical that your vehicle be inspected to make sure the bolts are properly installed and to ensure there is no tire damage. You may feel comfortable making the inspection yourself. If so, the following pictures show the incorrect and correct installation of the bolt.



Incorrect – Bolt Nut on Tire Side



Correct – Bolt Head on Tire Side

If any one of the axle attaching bolts are installed improperly (all 14 must be inspected), the vehicle must be returned to your dealer for corrective action. If you are at all unsure of whether the axle attaching bolts are correctly installed you should have the dealer make the inspection for you.

WHAT WE WILL DO

Skyline will provide at no charge to the customer:

- Visual inspection of axle attaching bolts for correct installation and visual inspection of the back side of the tires for damage from improperly installed axle bolts.
- Removal and re-installation of axle mounting bolts with the correct orientation.
- Replacement of tires damaged by an improperly installed axle mounting bolt.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

Since this defect affects motor vehicle safety, it is recommended that you immediately make a visual inspection of the axle attaching bolts on your vehicle and/or make an appointment with your selling dealer or other authorized Skyline dealer to have your vehicle inspected. In either case compare the installation of the bolts on your vehicle to the pictures above. If it appears any of the bolts are incorrectly installed, inspect the back side of the tires at a location near these bolts to see if any tire damage has occurred. If you detect tire damage please call the Skyline factory at (800) 733-4250 for further assistance. **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO MOVE YOUR VEHICLE WITH DAMAGED TIRES!**

At the time of your appointment the dealer will perform the required inspection and make any necessary repair. The total length of time your vehicle will be out of service will depend on the dealer's work schedule at the time of the repairs.

If you have had this concern corrected previously, you may be eligible for reimbursement of your cost for the repair. For more information regarding this recall contact (800) 733-4250.

When you deliver your travel trailer for repairs, your dealer will complete a Skyline Repair Order. Upon completion of the inspection, and if necessary the subsequent repair, please sign the Skyline Repair Order and fill out the enclosed, self-addressed postage-paid Vehicle Information Update Card and return it to Skyline. If you feel confident you can make the inspection your self and conclude there is no defect, please fill out the self-addressed Vehicle Information Update Card and return it to Skyline.

If You No Longer Own This Recreational Vehicle:

If you have changed your address or sold the travel trailer, please take a moment to provide the name and address of the person or dealership you sold it to on the enclosed Vehicle Information Update Card, and return it to Skyline. That way we can update our records, and notify the new owner using the information you provide.

Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If you are unable to obtain the specified inspection and/or repair promptly and without charge, please contact (800) 733-4250.

If the repair facility fails or is unable to rework this noncompliance without charge and within a reasonable time, please contact us at the number provided above so we can attempt to resolve the problem. You may also submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Your safety and satisfaction with your Skyline product are important to us and we regret any inconvenience to you.

Sincerely,

Skyline Corporation



Skyline Corporation
Attn: Recall Administrator
P.O. Box 743
Elkhart, IN 46515

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Vehicle Information Update Card
Axle Attachment Bolt Recall
Serial No: _____

Please Complete the Following and Return

- Inspected by Owner; Bolts Properly Installed
- Inspected by Dealer/Repair Facility:
 - Bolts Properly Installed
 - OR
 - Bolt Repair Performed on _____

If you no longer own the RV, please provide name and address of new owner: _____

