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VIA E-MAIL
RECEIPT CONFIRMATION REQUESTED

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(2 Pages)

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

Re: Airstream
Defect and Non-Compliance Report

Dear Mr. Smith:

Airstream 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 model manufactured by Airstream.

<u>Model</u>	<u>Model Year</u>
30' Flying Cloud	2010

The total number of vehicles subject to this recall campaign is 15. These vehicles were manufactured between November 2009 and February 2010. Only two of these vehicles have been retail sold.

- B. Description of Defect. It has been determined that these vehicles were manufactured with incorrect axles. These vehicles were built with axles rated at 3,800 lbs. The vehicles should have been built with axles rated at 4,400 lbs. There have been no complaints or reports of injury associated with this defect.
- C. Basis for Determining that a Defect Exists. The defect was discovered during the inventory of axles at the production facility. After a shortage of 3,800 lbs. axles was discovered an investigation was done and it was traced back to the axles being incorrectly placed on the above model. A review of the information stored on file for each vehicle led to the determination of the beginning and ending production range.

- D. Remedying of Defect. The remedy is to replace the axles on each vehicle with one's rated at 4,400 lbs. This will be done at no charge to the vehicle owner.
- E. Owner Notifications. Airstream will begin notifying owners within three weeks pending NHTSA approval. An owner's letter will be submitted shortly for approval.
- F. Dealer Notifications. Airstream will begin notifying dealers within three weeks pending NHTSA approval. A dealer's letter will be submitted shortly for approval.
- G. Quarterly Reporting Requirements. Airstream will be filing quarterly reports in connection with this recall campaign.
- 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 David Mihalick at 937-596-6849, Ext. 7363. or Terry Coleman, Airstream, at 937-538-1268.

Sincerely,



David M. Mihalick
Thor Industries
Standards Compliance Manager