



March 12, 2010

Ms. Kathy DeMeter, Director  
Office of Defects Investigation  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
National Highway Traffic Safety Admin.  
400 - 7<sup>th</sup> Street S.W.  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Ms. DeMeter:

Winnebago Industries<sup>®</sup> submits the following report pursuant to Part 573 of the NHTSA regulations. The numbered paragraphs below correspond to those found at Part 573.5(c).

1. Winnebago Industries, Inc.  
P.O. Box 152  
Forest City, IA 50436
2. The motor vehicles potentially containing a defect are: Certain 2008 through 2009 Winnebago<sup>®</sup> Vista, Voyage, Journey, Tour, and Itasca Sunstar motor homes equipped with a Ricon Lift . These motor homes were built between November 8, 2007 and July 20, 2009. The vehicles are being identified using the serial number and production records showing VINs.
3. The total number of vehicles potentially having this non-conformity is: 9.
4. The percentage of vehicles estimated to be non-conforming is 100%.
5. The defect involves the restraint belt. It is possible for the operator to insert the belt tongue into the buckle without fully engaging the latching mechanism. The lift is capable of operating with an occupant on the lift and restraint belt tongue not fully engaged into the restraint. This situation could cause personal injury.
6. Winnebago Industries discovered the non-conformity as a result of Ricon Corporation contacting Winnebago Industries on March 8, 2010. Reference recall # 09E-060
7. N/A.
8. Winnebago Industries is assisting Ricon Corporation to correct this situation by providing them a list of current owners and address for the nine affected lifts installed by Winnebago Industries. Ricon Corporation will be conducting the recall.
9. Enclosed is a copy of the OEM/dealer letter in draft form
10. N/A
11. N/A.

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Should you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale Jordal". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Dale Jordal  
Product Safety Administrator

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