



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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NVS-215dgl  
11V-156

SUBJECT: LP HOSE

DEAR MR. JORDAL:

This letter serves to acknowledge Winnebago Industries' notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

WINNEBAGO/TOUR/2011

ITASCA/ELLIPSE/2011

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 11V-156

**Mfg's Report Date:** March 4, 2011

**Components:** EQUIPMENT: RECREATIONAL VEHICLE: LPG TANK ASSEMBLY

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 25

**Summary:**

WINNEBAGO IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2011 TOUR AND ITASCA ELLIPSE MOTOR HOMES MANUFACTURED FROM AUGUST 9, 2010 THROUGH JANUARY 21, 2011. THESE VEHICLES HAVE THE POTENTIAL FOR A LP HOSE CONNECTION TO BE DAMAGED WHEN THE SLIDEOUT ROOM IS OPERATED. IF THE LP HOSE MAKES CONTACT WITH THE SLIDEOUT RAM, IT COULD BE DISCONNECTED. IF THIS WERE TO HAPPEN, A LEAK WOULD OCCUR WHEN THE LP TANK IS OPENED.

**Consequence:**

THE LEAKING LP THEN HAS THE POTENTIAL TO IGNITE, WHICH COULD RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE HOSE AND RELOCATE A PIPE CLAMP AS WELL AS ADDING A SECOND CLAMP TO THE HOSE TO ENSURE CLEARANCE IS MAINTAINED DURING THE OPERATION OF THE SLIDEROOM. THIS SERVICE WILL BE PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING MARCH 2011. OWNER MAY CONTACT WINNEBAGO AT 641-585-6939.

**Notes:**

WINNEBAGO SAFETY RECALL NO. 122. CUSTOMERS MAY CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

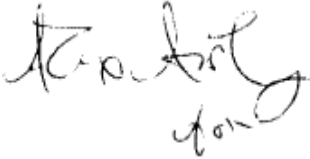
We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577.

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at [Delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "T".

Jennifer Timian  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement