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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

Re: Keystone RV Company  
Defect and Non-Compliance Report

Dear Mr. Smith:

Keystone RV Company ("Keystone") 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 brands manufactured by Keystone.

<u>Product Brand</u>	<u>Number of Vehicles</u>
2010 - 2011 Alpine Fifth Wheels with Generator Ready Option Production Dates: 12/8/2009 – 9/29/2010	69
2010 - 2011 Avalanche Fifth Wheels with Generator Ready Option Production Dates: 2/10/2010 – 9/28/2010	13
2009 - 2010 Challenger Fifth Wheels with Generator Ready Option Production Dates: 8/6/2008 – 4/13/2009	7
2009 - 2010 Everest Fifth Wheels with Generator Ready Option Production Dates: 8/6/2008 – 9/8/2009	33
2009 - 2011 Fuzion Fifth Wheels and Travel Trailers Production Dates: 8/18/2008 – 7/30/2010	2544
2009 - 2011 Montana Fifth Wheels with Generator Ready Option Production Dates: 8/4/2008 – 6/30/2010	663
2009 - 2011 Montana Big Sky Fifth Wheels with Generator Ready Option Production Dates: 8/4/2008 – 6/16/2010	178
2010 - 2011 Montana Mountaineer Fifth Wheels with Generator Ready Option Production Dates: 3/4/2009 – 6/25/2010	197

2010 - 2011 Montana High Country Fifth Wheels with Generator Ready Option Production Dates: 3/29/2010 – 6/28/2010	9
2009 - 2011 Raptor Fifth Wheels Production Dates: 8/11/2008 – 7/30/2010	2388
The total number of vehicles subject to this recall campaign is:	6101

B. Description of Defect. It has been decided some IOTA ITS-50R transfer switches are experiencing heat related failures when exposed to the elevated electrical loads associated with RV use in higher ambient temperatures. The failure is causing connections and wiring in the transfer switch to degrade and heat leading to elevated case temperatures and an increased risk of electrical damage to other appliances from loss of neutral in a 240V circuit. Continued use of the vehicle without replacing the transfer switch increases the risk of a fire, personal injury, and property damage.

Manufacturer: IOTA Engineering PO Box 11846 1301 E. Wieding Rd Tucson, AZ 85706 Contact: Steve Shell President/CEO

C. Basis for Determining that a Defect Exists. Keystone announced a recall campaign (NHTSA 10V-594/Keystone 10-153) to inspect and torque in December 2010 on the transfer switches in the vehicles identified above. Keystone began receiving an increasing number of reports regarding heat related failures to transfer switches that had received the recall remedy during the summer months of 2011. After a joint investigation between Keystone RV and IOTA Engineering to determine the ongoing cause of failures it has been mutually decided the transfer switch should now be replaced in the population identified above. Therefore, this recall supersedes recall NHTSA 10V-594/Keystone 10-153.

D. Remedying of Defect. The remedy is to replace the IOTA ITS-50R transfer switch with a different brand transfer switch supplied by Keystone. The remedy for this recall supersedes recall NHTSA 10V-594/Keystone 10-153 except in cases which already had the IOTA Transfer switch replaced with a different brand. Those vehicles need no further action.

E. Owner Notifications. Keystone will notify the owners of the recreational vehicles by letter beginning in December 2011 pending NHTSA approval. A final copy of the owner letter will also be provided to NHTSA, along with the dealer repair procedures.

F. Quarterly Reporting Requirements. Keystone will be filing quarterly reports in connection with this recall campaign.

G. Campaign Number. Keystone's identification code for this recall is 11-170.

If you need any additional information regarding this recall campaign, please feel free to contact me at 574-537-3925.

Sincerely,

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Keystone RV Company  
Technical Manager