



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. WILLIAM CONWAY
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NVS-215ET
12V-428

Subject: Sure Power Battery Separators overheating

Dear Mr. CONWAY:

This letter serves to acknowledge FOREST RIVER, INC.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) 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:
FOREST RIVER/ROCKPORT/2009

Mfr's Report Date: August 31, 2012

NHTSA Campaign Number: 12V-428

Components:
EQUIPMENT:ELECTRICAL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 2

Problem Description:

Forest River, Inc.(Forest River) is recalling two model year 2009 Rockport commercial vehicles, manufactured from April 27, 2009, through May 29, 2009, equipped with Sure Power battery separator devices, due to overheating.

Consequence:

Overheating of the battery separator can result in smoke and possible fire.

Remedy:

Forest River has notified the owners and arranged to replace the battery separators free of charge. Owners may contact Forest River at 1-574-295-8749.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration's Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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 Edison Thompson who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at edison.thompson@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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