



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Dale Jordal
Winnebago Industries Inc.
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NVS-215KS
12V-575

Subject: Wheelchair Lift Armored Cable Short Circuit

Dear Mr. Jordal:

This letter serves to acknowledge Winnebago Industries 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:
WINNEBAGO/ASPECT/2008

Mfr's Report Date: November 28, 2012

NHTSA Campaign Number: 12V-575

Components:
EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1

Problem Description:

Winnebago is recalling one model year 2008 Aspect motorhome manufactured on September 12, 2007. The motorhome is equipped with a Ricon manufactured wheelchair lift which has an optional armored pendant cable. The cable may have been installed such that it doesn't clear the wheelchair lift and without a protective cover, or a misinstalled protective cover.

Consequence:

The cable may contact the power lug at the base of the wheel chair lift causing a short circuit that could result in a fire.

Remedy:

Ricon will be conducting this recall on behalf of Winnebago. Ricon will notify the affected owner and will provide a supplemental cover kit and instructions, free of charge. This recall campaign is expected to begin during December 2012. Owners may contact Winnebago at 1-641-585-3535 or Ricon at 1-818-267-3000.

Notes:

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

We have received the Ricon proposed owner notification letter that will be sent with Winnebago's cooperation and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

We understand from your defect information report that Ricon will be filing the required six quarterly completion rates reports.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@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 long horizontal stroke at the end.

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