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May 24, 2012

**VIA E-MAIL
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>
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2012 - 2013 Vantage Travel Trailers Production Dates: 10/12/2011 – 5/7/2012	
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The total number of vehicles subject to this recall campaign is:	440
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- B. Description of Defect. It has been decided the vehicles listed in the population above have been manufactured without a gimp molding on the skirt metal at the access area for the holding tank valves. Continued use of the vehicle without installing the gimp molding increases the risk of personal injury when using the valves.
- C. Basis for Determining that a Defect Exists. May 21, 2012 - During use of the product by a Keystone employee it was discovered the potential for injury exists.
- D. Remedying of Defect. The remedy is to install a gimp molding on the skirt metal in the area of the holding tank valves.
- E. Owner Notifications. Keystone will notify the owners of the recreational vehicles by letter beginning in June 2012 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.

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G. Campaign Number. Keystone's identification code for this recall is 12-175.

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