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Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)

Subject: Defect and Non-Compliance Report

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to 49 CFR part 573, Heartland Recreational Vehicles (Heartland) 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.

Specific Information is listed below:

1. Recall Population and Vehicle Identification. Listed are the product brands manufactured by Heartland included in the recall.

2012 Bighorn Silverado Fifth Wheel Travel Trailers
Models: 36TB
Production Date: 02/28/2012
VIN Range: 5SFBG3925CE

2013 Bighorn Silverado Fifth Wheel Travel Trailers
Models: 36TB
Production Date: 3/28/2012 – 8/28/2012
VIN Range: 5SFBG3925DE to 5SFBG392XDE

The total number of vehicles included in this recall is: 68

2. Description of Defect.

Certain Heartland Recreational Vehicles manufactured between February 2, 2012 and August 28, 2012 have the potential for the LP hose and wire hanger that is mounted under the slide out to come in contact with the tire. This contact can cause damage to the LP hose and wiring that could result in an LP leak and a potential for fire.

3. Basis for Determining that a Defect Exists.

Inspection and audit review during the production process.

4. Remedy for Defect.

To change hanger style and location to prevent possible contact.

5. Owner Notification.

An owner notification letter is attached for approval. The notifications will begin shortly after approval.

6. Quarterly Reporting Requirements.

Heartland will be filling quarterly reports in connection with this recall.

7. Campaign Number.

Heartland's identification number in connection with this recall is 99-01-10

If you need additional information regarding Heartland's participation in this recall please feel free to contact David Partin at 574-262-8030 ext 1103.

Respectfully

David Partin
Heartland Recreational Vehicles, LLC