



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

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NVS-215KS
13V-217

Subject: Solar Panel May Separate from Motorhome

Dear Mr. Biazio:

This letter serves to acknowledge Fleetwood RV, 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:

FLEETWOOD/AMERICAN REVOLUTION/2014
FLEETWOOD/BOUNDER/2014
FLEETWOOD/DISCOVERY/2014
FLEETWOOD/EXPEDITION/2014
FLEETWOOD/SOUTHWIND/2014

Mfr's Report Date: May 20, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-217

Components:
EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 184

Problem Description:

Fleetwood RV is recalling certain model year 2014 American Revolution, Bounder, Discovery, Expedition, and Southwind motorhomes. Fasteners that attach the solar panel may become loose during normal use.

Consequence:

A loose solar panel may separate from the vehicle during travel. This may cause personal injury and/or a road hazard to other vehicles, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Fleetwood will notify owners, and dealers will install new locking nuts to secure the solar panel, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in early June 2013. Owners may contact Fleetwood RV at 1-800-322-8216. Fleetwood's recall number is 130517FRV.

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 Fleetwood RV's proposed owner notification letter 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:

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 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,



Jennifer Timian
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Enforcement