



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

July 5, 2013

Mr. Neil Ford
President
Nu Wa Industries, Inc.
3701 Johnson Road
Chanute, KS 66720

NVS-215KS
13V-273

Subject: Unexpected Unfurling of the Awning

Dear Mr. Ford:

This letter serves to acknowledge Nu Wa 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:
NU WA/CHAMPAGNE EDITION/2006

Mfr's Report Date: June 26, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-273

Components:
EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1

Problem Description:

Nu Wa Industries Inc. (dba Kansas RV Center) is recalling one model year 2006 Hitchhiker Champagne Edition recreational vehicle. Due to a design change in the power awning motor assembly, the motor assembly screws may unknowingly shear.

Consequence:

If the motor assembly screws shear, it is possible that the awning can unfurl unexpectedly, either while the vehicle is at rest or while in transit, increasing the risk of personal injury or a vehicle crash.

Remedy:

Nu Wa Industries Inc. will notify the one owner and Dometic staff will replace the affected motor with a motor of a different design, free of charge. A notification schedule has not yet been provided. Owners may contact Nu Wa at 1-620-431-2088 or Dometic at 1-888-447-0003 for more information. Owners are being instructed not to drive their vehicle until repairs can be performed.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic 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:

You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send a notifications to the owner as soon as it becomes available. Please be reminded that it is expected that the owner will be notified of a safety defect in their vehicle within 60 days of a manufacturer's notification to NHTSA of a safety defect in that vehicle.

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customer. Also, 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).

We understand that Dometic will be conducting this safety recall. However, since Nu Wa Industries Inc. is responsible for the defect in accordance with 49 CFR §573.5, please be advised that if Dometic's safety recall campaign is not successful, the agency may require Nu Wa Industries Inc. to conduct a follow-up notification.

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 the first name being the most prominent.

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