



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

July 16, 2013

Mr. Jim Izbicki
Director of Service Operations
Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc.
P.O. Box 2164
Goshen, IN 46527

NVS-215KS
13V-293

Subject: Propane Hose May Melt and Leak Propane

Dear Mr. Izbicki:

This letter serves to acknowledge Dutchmen Manufacturing, 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:

ASPEN TRAIL/TRAVEL TRAILER/2013-2014
COLEMAN/TRAVEL TRAILER/2013-2014
DUTCHMEN/TRAVEL TRAILER/2013-2014

Mfr's Report Date: July 2, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-293

Components:
EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 543

Problem Description:

Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc. is recalling certain model year 2013-2014 Aspen 1400RB, 1500BH, 1600RB, 2110RBS, 2470BHS and 3010BHDS travel trailers; certain model year 2013-2014 Coleman CTS14FD, CTS15BH, CTS16BH and CTS16QB travel trailers and certain model year 2013-2014 Dutchmen 190QB, 282RBS, 286BHGS, 318RKDS and 816QB travel trailers. Heat from the range burner may melt the propane supply hose.

Consequence:

If the hose melts it may leak propane, increasing the risk of a fire.

Remedy:

Dutchmen will notify owners and dealers will install a copper line to the propane connection in the burner, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in July 2013. Owners may contact Dutchmen at 1-574-537-0600. Dutchmen's recall number is 13-195.

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.

We have received Dutchmen'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,

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