



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

October 31, 2013

Ms. AJ Yoder  
Customer Service  
Lakota Corporation  
4 Stoutco Drive  
Bristol, IN 46507

NVS-215KS  
13V-461

**Subject:** Fumes or Gases May Enter Vehicle Interior

Dear Ms. Yoder:

This letter serves to acknowledge Lakota Corporation'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:**

LAKOTA/C27/2014  
LAKOTA/C8X9/2013-2014  
LAKOTA/CX9/2013-2014  
LAKOTA/H839/2014

**Mfr's Report Date:** September 23, 2013

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 13V-461

**Components:**

EQUIPMENT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 51

**Problem Description:**

Lakota Corporation (Lakota) is recalling certain model year 2013-2014 Lakota Charger C8X9 and CX9 and model year 2014 Lakota HUT H839 and Lakota Charger C27 trailers manufactured January 2013 through August 2013 and equipped with a three cubic foot refrigerator and optional recessed cook top. The cook top installation allows the refrigerator combustion system to vent into the trailer interior.

**Consequence:**

Fumes and/or gases from the refrigeration system may enter the vehicles interior, increasing the risk of asphyxiation.

**Remedy:**

Lakota will notify owners, and dealers will seal the refrigerator combustion system from the trailer interior, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in early November 2013. Owners may contact Lakota at 1-574-848-1636.

**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](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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

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.

On August 20, 2013, NHTSA announced new changes to the requirements governing safety recalls. Some of these requirements are already in effect. Please ensure your company will be in compliance with each requirement on, or before, its respective effective date. For a summary of the requirements and their effective dates please click on the "New!" link at <http://www.safercar.gov/Vehicle+Manufacturers>.

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](mailto:kelly.schuler@dot.gov) or through the office email at [rmd.odi@dot.gov](mailto: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