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Ms. Nancy Lewis  
Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)  
1200 New Jersey Ave. S.E.  
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Keystone RV Company  
Defect and Non-Compliance Report

Dear Ms. Lewis:

Keystone RV Company ("Keystone") 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 in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

- A. Recall Population and Vehicle Identification. The recall population includes the following product brands manufactured by Keystone.

<u>Product Brand</u>	<u>Number of Vehicles</u>
2013 - 2014 Laredo Fifth Wheels Models 270SRL, 280SBH, 290SRE, and 293SBH VIN Ranges: 2013: 4YDF29327DK602309 - 4YDF27027DK602545 2014: 4YDF29321EK600010 - 4YDF29328EK601008 Production Dates: 3/6/2013 – 6/27/2013	

The total number of vehicles subject to this recall campaign is: 239

- B. Description of Defect. It has been decided the battery box has inadequate support for the battery and may fall out of the vehicle during travel causing damage to the vehicle, battery and electrical wiring. This condition leads to an increased risk of electrical faults, shorting, property damage in addition to possible road hazard for other vehicles.

- C. Basis for Determining that a Defect Exists.

June 20, 2013 – Keystone was contacted by our transport company concerning three instances in which the battery box was detaching from its supports.

July 3, 2012 - After review of the installation of the battery box it was determined additional support was needed to secure the battery during travel.

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- D. Remedying of Defect. The remedy is to install a reinforcement kit supplied by Keystone under the existing battery tray.
- E. Owner Notifications. Keystone will notify the owners of the recreational vehicles by letter beginning in July 2013 pending NHTSA approval. A final copy of the owner letter will also be provided to NHTSA, along with the dealer repair procedures.
- F. Quarterly Reporting Requirements. Keystone will be filing quarterly reports in connection with this recall campaign.
- G. Campaign Number. Keystone's identification code for this recall is 13-194.

If you need any additional information regarding this recall campaign, please feel free to contact me at 574-537-3925.

Sincerely,

Garett Carolus  
Keystone RV Company  
Technical Manager