

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**15V-049****Manufacturer Name :** Heartland Recreational Vehicles, LLC**Submission Date :** FEB 09,2015**NHTSA Recall No. :** 15V-049**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 99-01-19**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Heartland Recreational Vehicles, LLC

Address : 1001 All Pro Drive

Elkhart IN 46514

Company phone : 574-266-3988

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 131

Estimated percentage with defect : 100

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Heartland Big Country 3800FL

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Model 3800FL

Production Dates : OCT 22, 2014 - DEC 16, 2014

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 5SFBG4329FE294242

End : 5SFBG432XFE297618

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 LANDMARK 365 Charleston

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : LANDMARK 365

Production Dates : DEC 24, 2014 - DEC 24, 2014

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 5SFBG4228FE297442

End : 5SFBG4228FE297442

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Heartland RV Big Country 3900FLP

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Model 3900FLP

Production Dates : SEP 23, 2014 - JAN 12, 2015

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 5SFBG4324FE290423

End : 5SFBG4323FE295886

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Heartland RV Big Horn 3750FL

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : model 3750FL

Production Dates : SEP 03, 2014 - JAN 14, 2015

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 5SFBG4322FE292252

End : 5SFBG4324FE297579

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : Certain Heartland Recreational Vehicles manufactured between September 4, 2014 and January 20, 2015 were manufactured with the axles placed too far forward on the frame. This placement creates the possibility of loading the trailer to improperly distribute the weight across the axles.

Description of the Safety Risk : Towing a vehicle loaded beyond the specified weight rating may result in a failure leading to poor vehicle handling and an increased risk of an accident.

Description of the Cause : the axles placed too far forward on the frame.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : Heartland Recreational Vehicles

Address : 2831 Dexter Dr

Elkhart FOREIGN STATES 46514

Country : NR

Chronology :

The selling dealership called with a consumer complaint that they had just taken possession of a Big Country 3900FLP Fifth Wheel and that it was towing erratically. The dealership was instructed to weigh the Fifth Wheel and provide the results. The weights indicated that this Fifth Wheel had approximately 13% hitch weight. Notified Heartland RV's engineering and it was determined that the Fifth Wheel should be returned to HRV factory for further evaluation.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Heartland will notify owners and dealers and arrange to have the axles

moved rearward on all units to help improve weight distribution and towing. The Big Country 3900FLP will also have weight ballast added to the pin box to improve handling. The recall will be completed at no charge and is expected to begin February 16, 2015. Owners may contact Heartland customer service at 1-877-262-8032.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : NR

Planned Dealer Notification Date : FEB 09, 2015 - FEB 09, 2015

Planned Owner Notification Date : FEB 16, 2015 - FEB 20, 2015

* NR - Not Reported