

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****15V-761****Manufacturer Name :** Airstream, Inc.**Submission Date :** NOV 13,2015**NHTSA Recall No. :** 15V-761**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Airstream, Inc.

Address : 419 West Pike Street

PO Box 629 Jackson Center OH 45334-0629

Company phone : 937-596-6111

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 904

Estimated percentage with defect : 100

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle : 2016-2016 Airstream Classic

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Airstream Travel Trailer

Production Dates : AUG 03, 2015 - NOV 13, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2016-2016 Airstream Flying Cloud

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Airstream Travel Trailer

Production Dates : AUG 03, 2015 - NOV 13, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2016-2016 Airstream International

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Airstream Travel Trailer

Production Dates : AUG 03, 2015 - NOV 13, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2016-2016 Airstream Sport

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Airstream Travel Trailer

Production Dates : AUG 03, 2015 - NOV 13, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2016-2016 Airstream Eddie Bauer

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Airstream Travel Trailer

Production Dates : AUG 03, 2015 - NOV 13, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2016-2016 Airstream Land Yacht

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Airstream Travel Trailer

Production Dates : AUG 03, 2015 - NOV 13, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The trailers covered in this recall were assembled with defective Sturgis propane regulators. The regulator sight glass can crack causing a slow leak of propane gas.

FMVSS 1 :NR

FMVSS 2 :NR

Description of the Safety Risk : The cracked sight glass will result in a propane leak. The leaking propane could result in a fire or explosion if exposed to an ignition source.

Description of the Cause : The defective propane regulators were manufactured with an improper crimp of the retaining cap for the regulator diaphragm. This allows propane to seep around the

diaphragm into the sight glass. The plastic sight glass will degrade causing it to crack.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : A visual inspection of the sight glass can determine if it is cracked and potentially leaking.

**Supplier Identification :****Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR

Address : 555 Fee Fee Rd.

Maryland Heights 63043

Country : NR

**Chronology :**

11/4/15 Airstream Service Dept. reports two incidents of broken indicator windows in the Sturgis Automatic Changeover LP Regulators located between the LP bottles on Airstream trailer a-frames and used by Airstream since 8/3/2015. It is initially presumed this could be caused by Airstream Dealer installation of a removable aluminum LP bottle cover.

11/4/15 Airstream Engineering contacts Sturgis and asks if this broken indicator window could cause LP leakage.

11/4/15 Sturgis responds that the broken indicator window could cause a slow LP leak.

11/6/15 Sturgis Regulator e-mails Airstream with the following information.

1. Immediately stop sale, use, or shipment of any units from the initial 560 regulators shipped to Airstream.

2. Segregate and retain all units in Airstream's possession.

Airstream determines all Sturgis regulators have been installed and shipped to dealers.

11/9/15 Airstream management meets to discuss the situation. Engineering is asked to contact Sturgis and find out what Sturgis felt caused the problem.

11/9/15 Sturgis responds that their supplier would be in on 11/10/15 to discuss the problem and that they would get back to Airstream with the suspected root cause.

11/11/15 Sturgis contacts Airstream that they are aware of reports of five units that have had this problem out of the batch of 1,940 units initially produced of which 560 were shipped to Airstream. There were no reports of problems with this regulator, but Sturgis was testing the regulator to see if they could induce a leak. They advised Airstream to discontinue using Sturgis regulators until testing was completed by 12/1/2015.

11/12/15 Airstream management meets and decides to initiate a recall.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : Airstream will replace the propane regulator and all required hoses. This will be done at no cost to the owner.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : None

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Sturgis has corrected this condition in their later production runs.

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : Airstream will notify the dealers and owners of the recreational vehicles by letter. A final copy of the owner letter will be provided to NHTSA, along with the dealer repair procedures.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

\* NR - Not Reported