



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

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NVS-215MR
16V-026

Subject: Intermittent Loss of Ignition Switch Contact

Dear Mr. Olson:

This letter serves to acknowledge Winnebago Industries, 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:

ITASCA/VIVA/2015-2016
WINNEBAGO/TRAVATO/2015-2016
WINNEBAGO/TREND/2015-2016

Mfr's Report Date: January 19, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V-026

Components:

AIR BAGS
ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:IGNITION:SWITCH

Potential Number of Units Affected: 359

Problem Description:

Winnebago Industries, Inc. (Winnebago) is recalling certain model year 2015-2016 Winnebago Travato, Trend, and Itasca Viva! motor homes manufactured February 27, 2015, to January 6, 2016. The affected vehicles have an ignition switch that may experience an intermittent loss of electrical contact.

Consequence:

An intermittent loss of contact can result in a vehicle stall and/or a partial or complete loss of the air bags, anti-lock brakes, electronic stability control and/or instrument panel cluster. Loss of functionality of these systems may increase the risk of crash and/or increase the risk of injury in the event of a crash.

Remedy:

FCA US (Chrysler), manufacturer of the motorhome chassis, will notify owners, and Chrysler dealers will replace the ignition switch contact holder block, free of charge. Owners were sent interim notices in January 2016. Owners will receive a second notice when remedy parts become available. Owners may contact Chrysler customer service at 1-800-853-1403 or Winnebago customer service at 1-641-585-3535.

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.

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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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 Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at 202-366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Timian
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Enforcement