



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

April 19, 2016

Mr. Mervin Lehman  
GM  
Riverside RV  
1775 E US 20  
Lagrange, IN 46761

NEF-150MR  
16V-221

**Subject:** Tires may Rub due to Incorrect Axle Width

Dear Mr. Lehman:

This letter serves to acknowledge Riverside RV'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:**

WHITE WATER/RETRO/2015

**Mfr's Report Date:** April 15, 2016

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 16V-221

**Components:**

SUSPENSION:REAR:AXLE:NON-POWERED AXLE ASSEMBLY

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 101

**Problem Description:**

Riverside RV (Riverside) is recalling certain model year 2015 White Water Retro travel trailers, model 176S, manufactured September 1, 2015, to February 1, 2016. The axle on the affected trailers may be too narrow, and as a result, the tires may rub, causing tire failure.

**Consequence:**

Tire failure increases the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

Riverside will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and replace the axle, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in May 2016. Owners may contact Riverside customer service at 1-260-499-4578.

**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 required in Part 573.6(c)(6), in the case of a defect, please amend your provided chronology to include all of the principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety exists .

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,

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