

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

16V-419

Manufacturer Name : Forest River, Inc.**Submission Date :** JUN 06, 2016**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-419**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 15-05312016-0204**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Forest River, Inc.

Address : 55470 CR 1

P.O. Box 3030 Elkhart IN 46515-3030

Company phone : 1-800-348-7440

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 9

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2017-2017 Forest River, Inc. GEORGETOWN - GT30X3

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Georgetown is a motorized recreational vehicle manufactured by Forest River, Inc.

Production Dates : MAY 17, 2016 - MAY 19, 2016

VIN Range 1 : Begin : 1F65F5DY8G0A14470 End : 1F65F5DY3G0A14652 Not sequential**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The rear-facing dinette seat was equipped with two seatbelt assemblies to accommodate two individual passengers. The GVWR contained on the federal placards was calculated based off of six occupants in the vehicle. The installation of the two additional seatbelt assemblies and occupants could allow the vehicle to transport up to eight passengers.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : The rear-facing dinette seat was not intended for passenger seating during transit. The transportation of two additional passengers could lead to vehicle overloading and the potential for a crash or injury.

Description of the Cause : Due to an error in the manufacturing process, the manufacturing plant installed two seatbelt assemblies in the rear facing dinette where none should have been installed.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : None.

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

On May 26, 2016 Forest River's Office of Corporate Compliance ("OCC") was advised by the manufacturing plant of an issue where two seatbelts had been installed into the rearward facing dinette seat.

On May 27, 2016, the Forest River Corporate Committee decided that a defect related to motor vehicle safety existed. Due to the pending Memorial Day holiday, Forest River notified affected dealers not to sell the affected population of vehicles and issued a stop sale notice and followed up with affected dealers by telephone. Forest River also confirmed that none of the 9 vehicles in the population had been sold to an individual retail owner and all units remained in dealer inventory. The investigation closed on May 31, 2016, with results of other vehicles had been produced with this error.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Dealerships are instructed to remove the seat belt assemblies, free of charge and has set up a claim number for the dealer to be paid for correcting the subject vehicles so they may be sold into commerce.

What is the Forest River Customer Service Phone Number? (574)
206-7600

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The rear-facing dinette seats will not contain any seatbelts nor indicate that it is a designated seating position. There will be a label added to the wall indicating the rear facing dinette seat is not a designated seating area.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : All Georgetown GT30X3 vehicles produced after May 27, 2016, have been remedied, and production starting May 31, 2016, will not have any seatbelts installed in the rear-facing dinette seat.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Forest River has issued a Stop Sale Letter to our Dealership(s) identified receiving the subject vehicles. While Forest River does not anticipate these vehicles to be retail sold to any Owner during this time; a Part 577 Owner Notification Letter and Dealer Letter will be prepared. Dealer(s) and Owner(s) of record will be notified.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : AUG 02, 2016 - AUG 02, 2016

Planned Owner Notification Date : AUG 02, 2016 - AUG 02, 2016

* NR - Not Reported