

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

December 13, 2017

Mr. Bill Westfall Quality Assurance Manager Pleasant Valley Teardrop Trailers LLC 661 Belden Parkway Sugarcreek, OH 44681

**Subject:** Fire Extinguisher May Be Clogged or Inoperable

Dear Mr. Westfall:

This letter serves to acknowledge Pleasant Valley Teardrop Trailers LLC'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:

PLEASANT VALLEY/CIRRUS TRUCK CAMPER/2017-2018 PLEASANT VALLEY/MYPOD TRAVEL TRAILER/2017-2018 PLEASANT VALLEY/T@B TRAVEL TRAILER/2017-2018 PLEASANT VALLEY/T@G TRAVEL TRAILER/2017-2018

**Mfr's Report Date:** November 13, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-710

# **Components:**

**EQUIPMENT** 

EQUIPMENT: RECREATIONAL VEHICLE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 2,590

# **Problem Description:**

Pleasant Valley Teardrop Trailers LLC (Pleasant Valley) is recalling certain 2017-2018 MyPod, T@G, T@B 320, T@B 400, Cirrus 820, and Cirrus 920 travel trailers equipped with Kidde Plastic-Handle Fire Extinguishers, model 210D. These extinguishers may become clogged, preventing the extinguisher from discharging as expected or requiring excessive force to activate the extinguisher. Additionally, the nozzle may detach from the valve assembly with enough force that it could cause injury and render the product inoperable.

## **Consequence:**

In the event of a fire, if the fire extinguisher does not function properly, it can increase the risk of injury.

### Remedy

Pleasant Valley will notify owners and direct them to contact Kidde directly to get a replacement fire extinguisher, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 29, 2017. Owners may contact Pleasant Valley customer service at 1-330-852-4811 or Walter Kidde customer service at 1-855-271-0773.



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#### **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:

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).

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.

Please let us know if Pleasant Valley will have Kidde file the required quarterly reports on their behalf. If not, 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

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

