

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

17V-330

Manufacturer Name : Columbia Northwest, Inc.

Submission Date : JUN 09, 2017

NHTSA Recall No. : 17V-330

Manufacturer Recall No. : NR



Manufacturer Information :

Population :

Manufacturer Name : Columbia Northwest, Inc.

Number of potentially involved : 40

Address : 1297 Kecksburg Road

Estimated percentage with defect : 30 %

PO Box 131 Mount Pleasant PA 15666

Company phone : 724-237-5227

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2017-2018 Aliner Ascape

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Travel Trailer

Production Dates : FEB 09, 2017 - MAY 11, 2017

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : LP gas bottle trays may be attached to the frames with the wrong fasteners.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : LP gas bottles could become loose from the trailer during travel.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning NR
that can Occur :

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : Columbia Northwest, Inc.

Address : 1297 Kecksburg Road

Mount Pleasant PENNSYLVANIA 15666

Country : United States

Chronology :

We were notified on Monday May 15, 2017 that 4 trailers had LP tank trays coming loose from the frames. These trailers were being delivered to a West Coast dealer when the transport company notified us of the problem. Upon inspection of the units it was noticed that the wrong rivets were used to attach the LP tray to the frame. On that same Monday May, 15, 2017 we inspected all units still in our inventory at the factory and found that the same problem was present on these units. The factory inventory was fixed on Monday May 15, 2017 and production immediately changed the manufacturing process to use the correct fasteners. At that time, we felt that we corrected all units that were manufactured incorrectly before they delivered to the dealers.

After further investigation it was discovered that there may have been other units built incorrectly, so on Monday May 22, 2017 we notified NHTSA of the problem and prepared to have dealers inspect all 40 Ascape units that were shipped to dealers prior to May 15, 2017.

On Friday May 26, 2017 a formal notification was sent out to dealers.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program :	Drill out the current rivets and reinstall the correct rivets and add 4 tek screws to the tray.
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :	Rivets with a 3/8 inch head were used on some units by mistake. The correct rivet has a 5/8 inch head.
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production :	On Monday May 15, 2017 all units on line or completed and not shipped were corrected with the appropriate fasteners.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule :	NR
Planned Dealer Notification Date :	MAY 22, 2017 - MAY 26, 2017
Planned Owner Notification Date :	JUN 21, 2017 - JUN 21, 2017

* NR - Not Reported