

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

November 6, 2018

Mr. Jerry McCarthy Grand Design RV, LLC 11333 County Road 2 Middlebury, IN 46540 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-150MR 18V-729

Subject: Incorrectly Installed 50 amp Breaker May Overheat

Dear Mr. McCarthy:

This letter serves to acknowledge Grand Design RV, 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:

GRAND DESIGN/REFLECTION/2019

Mfr's Report Date: October 16, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18V-729

**Components:** 

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected: 92

# **Problem Description:**

Grand Design RV, LLC (Grand Design) is recalling certain 2019 Grand Design Reflection travel trailers, models 285BHTS, 287RLTS and 297RSTS. The wires to the 50 amp mini-breaker may be installed incorrectly, leaving the circuit unprotected.

## **Consequence:**

If the unprotected circuit overheats or experiences a short, it can increase the risk of a fire.

## Remedy:

Grand Design will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the 50 amp mini-breaker to make sure that it is wired correctly, re-wiring it as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 12, 2018. Owners may contact Grand Design customer service at 1-574-825-9679. Grand Design's number for this recall is 910016.

#### **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.



We have received Grand Design's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

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. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Timian

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

