



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Mike Becker
Director of Corporate Compliance
Forest River, Inc.
2324 Century Drive
Goshen, IN 46528

NEF-150KL
20V-727

Subject: Stove Saddle Valves may Leak Gas

Dear Mr. Becker:

This letter serves to acknowledge Forest River, Inc.'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:

COACHMEN/CHAPARRAL/2019
COACHMEN/CONCORD/2019-2020
COACHMEN/CROSS TREK/2020-2021
COACHMEN/FREELANDER/2019-2021
COACHMEN/LEPRECHAUN/2019-2021
COACHMEN/MIRADA/2020
COACHMEN/ORION/2019-2020
COACHMEN/PRISM/2019-2021
COACHMEN/PURSUIT/2020
COACHMEN/SHASTA/2019
COACHMEN/SPORTSCOACH/2020
DYNAMAX/DX3/2020
DYNAMAX/DYNAQUEST XL/2020
DYNAMAX/FORCE/2020
DYNAMAX/ISATA/2020
FOREST RIVER/BERKSHIRE/2020-2021
FOREST RIVER/SALEM/2008, 2020
FOREST RIVER/WILDWOOD/2020

Mfr's Report Date: November 23, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V-727

Components:

EQUIPMENT:APPLIANCE:MICROWAVE/OVEN
EQUIPMENT:RECREATIONAL VEHICLE/TRAILER:LPG SYSTEMS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 4,203

Problem Description:

Forest River, Inc. (Forest River) is recalling certain 2019 Coachmen Chaparral and Shasta, 2019-2020 Coachmen Concord and Orion,

2020-2021 Coachmen Cross Trek and Forest River Berkshire, 2019-2021 Coachmen Freelanders, Leprechaun and Prism, 2020 Coachmen Mirada, Pursuit and Sportscoach, Dynamax Force, DX3, Dynaquest XL and Isata and Forest River Wildwood and 2008 and 2020 Forest River Salem vehicles equipped with Dometic 3 burner cooking stoves. The saddle valve securing bolt may be overtightened, possibly damaging the o-ring seal and causing a continuous gas leak.

Consequence:

A gas leak can increase the risk of a fire.

Remedy:

Forest River will notify owners, and dealers will install a remedy kit of gaskets, washers, thread locker bolts, and two round orange labels, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin January 2, 2021. Owners may contact Forest River customer service at 1-574-825-4995, or Dometic customer service at 1-574-293-0681. Forest River's number for this recall is 51-1259.

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 Forest River'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 Kristin Lepper who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, or by email at kristin.lepper@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Joshua Neff
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement