#### OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 20V-727

Manufacturer Name: Forest River, Inc.
Submission Date: DEC 07, 2020
NHTSA Recall No.: 20V-727
Manufacturer Recall No.: 51-1259



## **Manufacturer Information:**

**Population:** 

Manufacturer Name: Forest River, Inc.

Number of potentially involved: 4,203

Address: 55470 CR 1

Estimated percentage with defect : 100%

P.O. Box 3030 Elkhart IN 46515-3030

Company phone: 1-800-348-7440

## **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2020-2021 Forest River Inc. Berkshire Class A Motorhome Recreational Vehicles

Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information: Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071.

Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected

by using production data and comparing it to the sales data.

See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown

Production Dates: FEB 25, 2020 - JUN 23, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 2: 2019-2020 Coachmen Concord Class C Motorhome Recreational vehicle

Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information: Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071.

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by using production data and comparing it to the sales data.

See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown

Production Dates: SEP 21, 2018 - NOV 25, 2019

VIN Range 1: Begin: NR End: NR

☐ Not sequential

	BUSES, MEDIUM OTHER			s C Motorhome Recreation	nal Vehicles
Descriptive Information :	Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071. Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data. See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown				
Production Dates:	MAR 20, 2019 -	JUL 17, 2020			
VIN Range 1:	Begin:	NR	End:	NR	☐ Not sequential
Vehicle 4:	2020-2020 For Motorhome rec	•		Force, DX3, Dynaquest XI	L, and Isata Class C
Vehicle Type :	BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES				
Body Style :	OTHER				
Power Train :	NR				
Descriptive Information :	Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071. Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data. See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown				
Production Dates :	APR 22. 2019 - J	UN 14, 2019			
VIN Range 1:		NR	End:	NR	☐ Not sequential
Vehicle Type : Body Style : Power Train :	BUSES, MEDIUM OTHER NR	1 & HEAVY VEH	ICLES	s C Motorhome Recreation	
	Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071.  Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data.  See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown  AUG 29, 2018 - JUL 06, 2020				
		NR	End:	NR	Not sequential
VIN Range 1:	Degiii :	1NK	EHU:	INN	☐ Not sequential

Vehicle 6:	2019-2021 Coa	chmen Leprech	aun Class C Motor	home Recreational Vehicles	
Vehicle Type :	BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES				
Body Style :	OTHER				
Power Train:	NR				
Descriptive Information :	Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071. Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data. See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown				
Production Dates:	AUG 30, 2018 -	MAY 21, 2020			
VIN Range 1:	Begin:	NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential	
Vehicle 7:	2020-2020 Coa	chmen Mirada (	Class A Motorhom	e Recreational Vehicles	
Vehicle Type :	BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES				
Body Style :	OTHER				
Power Train :	NR				
Descriptive Information :	Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071. Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data. See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown				
Production Dates :	JUL 26, 2019 - 0	OCT 09, 2019			
VIN Range 1:		NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential	
				Recreational Vehicles	
V -	BUSES, MEDIU	M & HEAVY VEH	IICLES		
Body Style :					
Power Train :					
Descriptive Information :	Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071. Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data. See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown				
Production Dates :	FEB 12, 2019 -	OCT 28, 2019			
VIN Range 1:	Begin:	NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential	

Vehicle 9:	2019-2021 0	oachmen Prism	Class C I	Motorho	me Recreational Vehicles	
Vehicle Type :	BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES					
Body Style :	OTHER					
Power Train :						
Descriptive Information:	Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071. Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data. See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown					
Production Dates :	FEB 04, 2019	-JUL 31, 2020				
VIN Range 1:	Begin:	NR	End	: NR	☐ Not sequential	
					nome Recreational Vehicles	
V -		BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES				
Body Style :						
Power Train :	NR					
Descriptive Information :	began to ider still working physical add	ntify those vehicl with Dometic to ress, which mear hat is recalled, is	les invol identify ns OCC d	ved at the deliver loes not	ation to the report delivery dates and he known manufacturing plants. OCC is les in which Dometic cannot assign a know which manufacturing plant(s) s time, Dometic is working to supply OCC	
	On Novembe	r 18, 2020, OCC	received	l via USP	S Mail formal notification to Forest	
	River of Dometic Recall 20E071. OCC is still trying to identify other manufacturing					
		ed the subject st				
	PURSUIT PURSUIT	PSA27DSPF PSA27XPSF	2020 2020	3 41		
	PURSUIT	PSA29SSPF	2020	7		
	PURSUIT	PSA31BHF	2020	1		
	PURSUIT	PSA31TSF	2020	9		
	PURSUIT	PSA32WCPF	2020	1		
Production Dates :	JUL 17, 2019	- SEP 30, 2019				
VIN Range 1:	Begin:	NR	End	: NR	☐ Not sequential	

Vehicle 11: 2008-2008 Forest River Inc. Salem Travel Trailer Recreational Vehicle

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS
Body Style : OTHER
Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information: Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071.

Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected

by using production data and comparing it to the sales data.

See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown

Production Dates: MAY 16, 2007 - MAY 16, 2007

VIN Range 1: Begin: 4X4TSMR238M018008 End: 4X4TSMR238M018008 Not sequential

Vehicle 12: 2020-2020 Coachmen Sportscoach Class A Motorhome Recreational Vehicles

Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER Power Train : NR

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by using production data and comparing it to the sales data.

See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown

Production Dates: AUG 05, 2019 - OCT 09, 2019

Vehicle 13: 2020-2020 Forest River Inc. Wildwood Travel Trailer Recreational Vehicles

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS
Body Style : OTHER
Power Train : NR

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by using production data and comparing it to the sales data.

See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown

Production Dates: APR 22, 2019 - APR 17, 2020

Vehicle 14:	2019-2019 Coachmen Chaparral Fifth Wheel Recreational Vehicle			
Vehicle Type :				
Body Style :	OTHER			
Power Train :				
Descriptive Information :	: Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071. Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data. See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown			
Production Dates :	APR 05, 2018 - APR 05, 2018			
	Begin: 5ZT3CH4B3KA319807 End: 5ZT3CH4B3KA319807 Not sequential			
Vehicle 15:	2020-2020 Forest River Inc. Salem Travel Trailer Recreational Vehicle			
Vehicle Type :	TRAILERS			
Body Style :				
Power Train :				
Descriptive Information :	Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071. Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data. See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown			
Production Dates :	NOV 12, 2019 - JAN 20, 2020			
Vehicle 16:	2019-2019 Coachmen Shasta Fifth Wheel Recreational Vehicles			
Vehicle Type :	TRAILERS			
Body Style :				
Power Train :				
	Forest River received sales data information from Dometic regarding recall 20E071.			
<b>-</b>	Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected by using production data and comparing it to the sales data.  See Attached Spreadsheet for Vehicle Breakdown			
Production Dates:	JUN 18, 2018 - JUN 18, 2018			
	Begin: 5ZT3SPUB8KA000559 End: 5ZT3SPUB8KA000559			

## **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: As Per Dometic's recall 20E071 - The defect enunciation can occur in a mobile

environment, such as a recreational vehicle or marine vessel, when, generally after an install or usage period of 3-6 months, the installer, occupant, or user of the appliance smells gas and apparently attempts to tighten the securement bolts that hold one or more of the stove saddle valves in place and sealed to the manifold. This action may result in the overtightening of the securement bolt for the saddle valve which may cause damage to the 0-ring seal between the saddle valve and the manifold resulting in a continuous gas leak that is readily

detectable from the smell.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: The overtightening of the saddle valve securement bolt onto the manifold of

the stove may cause a gas leak which may ignite and cause a fire. Dometic has had one instance of ignition and damage to the piezo igniter and one control knob, although the ignition was contained within the stove enclosure. There has been no damage to adjacent or surrounding combustible materials. A gas leak can lead to the risk of fire, property damage, injury, or possible death.

Description of the Cause: Dometic has not determined the cause of these leaks but is continuing to gather

facts on the potential defect and will forward additional relevant information

as it becomes available.

that can Occur:

Identification of Any Warning The smell gas fumes are indicative of the identified leak.

#### **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: Saddle Valve and Manifold

Component Description: NR Component Part Number: NR

## **Supplier Identification:**

## **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Dometic Corporation Address: 5155 Verdant Dr.

Elkhart INDIANA 46516

**Country: United States** 

## **Chronology:**

On November 9, 2020, Forest River's Office of Corporate Compliance ("OCC") reviewed NHTSA's weekly recall alert email and found that a recall from another recreational vehicle manufacturer had been filed in conjunction with Dometic recall 20E071. The same day, OCC sent a request for more information to Dometic to ascertain if any Forest River manufacturing plants are affected by Dometics recall.

On November 12, 2020, OCC sent an email request to all purchasing agents within Forest River to try and find if any manufacturing division used the Dometic recalled stoves/cooktops.

On November 13, 2020, OCC sent another request to Dometic to find out if any Forest River manufacturing plants are affected by the Dometic recall. OCC received a response the same day with sales records from Dometic.

On November 16, 2020, OCC contacted Dometic to clarify the report delivery dates that was given to OCC, such as the delivery dates and certain manufacturing delivery locations.

On November 17, 2020, OCC received clarification to the report delivery dates and began to identify those vehicles involved at the known manufacturing plants. OCC is still working with Dometic to identify deliveries in which Dometic cannot assign a physical address, which means OCC does not know which manufacturing plant (s) other than what is recalled, is affected. At this time, Dometic is working to supply OCC with this information. On November 19, 2020, OCC received via USPS Mail formal notification to Forest River of Dometic Recall 20E071. OCC is still trying to identify other manufacturing plants received the subject stoves/cooktops. On November 23, 2020, Forest River filed the recall with NHTSA and Trans Canada

Amendment 1 - On November 25, 2020, Forest River received information from Dometic and Forest Rivers Office of Corporate Compliance was able to identify all vehicles affected. We also located the recall amended on safercar.gov. with remedy from Dometic. Filed amendment with NHTSA and Trans Canada

## **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Dometic has NOT yet identified a proposed remedy or remedies designed to mitigate the defect but will advise NHTSA of such remedy or remedies at the time they are identified. Dometic will further initiate a remedy campaign on the R1731, R21231 and S31 recreational vehicle stoves and will participate in remedy campaigns for the R1731, R2131 and S31 Amendment 1 As per Dometic recall 20E071 - The remedy consists of gaskets, washers, thread locker bolts, two round, orange, labels that are to be applied to the product and to the packaging (if the product has not been installed), as well as a set of complete instructions describing who is authorized to make the remedy and how the remedy is to be made followed by a leak test as defined in the instructions.

> products launched by Original Equipment Manufacturers who have purchased, sold and distributed these products.

> What is the Dometic Customer Service Address and Phone Number?

Manufacturer Name: Dometic Corporation

Address: 5155 Verdant Dr.

Elkhart IN 46516

Company phone: 574-293-0681

How Remedy Component Differs NR

from Recalled Component: Amendment 1 As per Dometic recall 20E071 The remedy component will

come in a kit with instructions and the securement bolts will be of the

thread locker type with a loc-tite material on them.

Identify How/When Recall Condition NR

was Corrected in Production : Amendment 1 As per Dometic recall 20E071 The production correction

was made in July 2020 once we discovered that the product was

experiencing field tampering and we began to employ thread locker bolts

to prevent post production adjustment.

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Forest River has the utmost urgency in our recalls. Forest River will send

suspected VIN numbers to our third party vendor that is licensed to pull data on the current owner of the vehicles (as needed) once a formal NHTSA I.D. is provided. Forest River intends on pushing the mailing out as soon as NHTSA provides any correction(s) and an Acknowledgement

Letter.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: JAN 02, 2021 - JAN 02, 2021 Planned Owner Notification Date: JAN 02, 2021 - JAN 02, 2021

<sup>\*</sup> NR - Not Reported