## IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL



DEPARTMENT OF COMPLIANCE VEHICLE SAFETY AND RECALL MANAGEMENT BUILDING 11 423 N MAIN ST MIDDLEBURY, INDIANA 46540-9218

NHTSA RECALL: 20V562 CANADA RECALL: 2020-446

Integrity Safety

FR ID: 51-1228

o Quality

o Customer Service

<<VIN>>

<<OWNER NAME/DEALERNAME>>

<<ADDRESS>>

<<CITY>>, <<ST>> <<ZIP-XXX>>

11/23/2020

This Notice applies to your vehicle VIN listed above.

#### Dear Forest River Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act*. This notice is also sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the *National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act*. Forest River – Office of Corporate Compliance ("OCC") has decided that a defect, which relates to the motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2018 - 2021 Berkshire, Legacy, and Coachmen Sportscoach Class A recreational vehicles. This is to inform you that your vehicle may contain a defect that could affect the safety of a person.

#### WHAT IS THE DEFECT/NONCOMPLIANCE?

As per DTNA's recall 20V529, On affected chassis, the tire valve stem extension for the inner wheel may contact the outer wheel rim opening and become damaged. Extensive damage to the valve stem may result in a loss of tire pressure of the inner wheel.

### **EVALUATION OF THE RISK TO THE VEHICLE AND OPERATOR(S) RELATED TO THE RECALL.**

As per DTNA's recall 20V529, Motorhome vehicle drivers may not be required to hold a commercial driver's license and daily pre-trip inspections may not be required which would enable early detection of the issue. The potentially affected chassis population may not be equipped with a factory tire pressure monitoring system and visual inspection of the inner tire on a single drive axle motor home is difficult due to the close proximity of the motorhome body. Due to the high failure rate and reduced detectability, a loss of air pressure in the inner tire on a vehicle with a single drive axle may result in an overloaded outer tire. While DTNA has not received any reports of an incident related to this defect, extended driving with an overloaded tire may increase the risk of a crash.

### WHAT IS DTNA GOING TO DO?

Forest River is notifying dealerships of the recall. The inner wheel valve stem stabilizers will be inspected and adjusted as needed. If the adjustment does not resolve the issue then the inner valve stem will be replaced. Repairs will be performed by Daimler Trucks North America authorized service facilities.

## WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

Please contact an authorized Daimler Trucks North America dealer to arrange to have the Recall performed and to ensure that parts are available at the dealership. To locate an authorized dealer, search online at:

Daimler-TrucksNorthAmerica.com/Contact-us. Scroll down to "Locate a Dealer" and select the appropriate brand. The Recall will take approximately one hour and will be performed at no charge to you. You may also confirm your vehicle's involvement in this recall at this URL: https://dtna-dlrinfo.prd.freightliner.com:48518/VinLookup/vin-module/getVinLookupPage.

#### **HOW LONG WILL THE REMEDY PROCESS TAKE?**

The estimated time of repair is 1.0 hours. However, the dealership may need to keep your vehicle or schedule an appointment with you for a later date to fit into their regular service schedule.

## WHAT IF YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR REPAIRS TO YOUR VEHICLE FOR THIS PARTICULAR CONDITION?

If you have already paid for a repair that is within the scope of this defect under recall, you still need to have this recall inspected and/or performed to ensure the correct parts and procedures were utilized.

Additionally, you may be eligible for a refund of previously paid repairs. Refunds will only be provided for within the scope of this defect under recall.

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Please send the service invoice to the following address:

Daimler Trucks North America LLC Warranty Campaigns Department P.O. Box 4090 Portland, OR 97208-4090

## What if you no longer own this vehicle?

If you no longer own this vehicle and have the address for the current owner, please forward this letter to the new owner within 10 working days after the day in which the notice is received. You have received this letter because government regulations require that a notification is sent to the last known owner of record. Our records indicate that you are the current owner.

PLEASE NOTE: FEDERAL LAW REQUIRES THAT ANY VEHICLE LESSOR RECEIVING THIS RECALL NOTICE MUST FORWARD A COPY OF THIS NOTICE TO THE LESSEE WITHIN TEN DAYS.

#### MAY FOREST RIVER ASSIST YOU FURTHER?

If you have difficulties getting your vehicle repaired, please contact your Forest River Representative listed below:

CONTACT	PHONE
DTNA CUSTOMER SERVICE	(800) 547-0712

If you are still having difficulty getting your vehicle repaired in a reasonable amount of time or without charge, you may write to the following address:

## For US Owners Please Contact:

Administrator National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 1200 New Jersey Ave, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20590

Or you may call the toll free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 or (TTY: 1-800-424-9153).

Or visit www.safercar.gov and search; Recall ID: 20V562

#### For Canadian Owners Please Contact:

Head of Recalls Motor Vehicle Safety Investigations Laboratory Transport Canada 80 Noël street, Gatineau, Quebec, J8Z 0A1

Telephone (800) 333-0510 Facsimile (819) 420-4292

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Sincerely,

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