

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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NEF-107KL

22V-387

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Karl Kenny Escape Trailer 43851 Industrial Way Chilliwack 12345

Subject: Cracked LP Gas Quick Disconnect Fitting

Dear Karl Kenny:

This letter serves to acknowledge Escape Trailer'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:

ESCAPE RV/ESCAPE 17/2021-2022 ESCAPE RV/ESCAPE 19/2021-2022 ESCAPE RV/ESCAPE 21/2021-2022 ESCAPE RV/ESCAPE 5.0TA/2021-2022

Mfr's Report Date: May 30, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-387

Components:

EQUIPMENT:RECREATIONAL VEHICLE/TRAILER:LPG SYSTEMS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 486

Problem Description:

Escape Trailer is recalling certain 2021-2022 Escape 17, 19, 21, and 5.0TA travel trailers. The quick disconnect fittings in the LP gas system may be cracked, causing a gas leak.

Consequence:

A gas leak in the presence of an ignition source can increase the risk of a fire.

Remedy:

Dealers will replace the quick disconnects, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed June 15, 2022. Owners may contact Escape Trailer's customer service at 1-604-703-1650.

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.nhtsa.gov.



We note that your report states that Escape Trailer believes that this matter does not have a substantial safety risk. In our view, this statement has no force or effect in terms of Escape Trailer's obligation to undertake and complete the recall, and NHTSA does not agree with it.

Please ensure the following requirements are met:

As required in Part 573.6(c)(6), in the case of a defect, please provide a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information (such as the numbers of deaths and/or injuries), with their dates of receipt.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

Your company must supply the estimated date(s) for which it will notify dealers and/or distributors regarding this safety recall. If your company subsequently becomes aware that either the beginning or the completion dates reported to the agency for any of the notifications will be delayed by more than two weeks, your company shall promptly advise the agency of the delay and the reasons therefor, and furnish a revised estimate. If your company does not have dealers or distributors, please state so in the 573 (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(ii)).

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

Per the requirements of 573.6(c)(2)(iv), please update the supplier field with the supplier that directly supplied Escape Trailer (Enerco).

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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 eight 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.



Escape Trailer's contact for this recall will be Kristin Lepper who may be reached by email at kristin.lepper@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

