



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Pete Gingerich
Aluminum Trailer Company (ATC)
306 S. Nappanee Street
Nappanee, IN 46550-0396

NEF-107MR
22V-864

Subject: Awning Fabric May Detach Causing Awning to Drop

Dear Mr. Gingerich:

This letter serves to acknowledge Aluminum Trailer Company (ATC)'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:

ATC/TOYHAULER/2022

Mfr's Report Date: November 22, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-864

Components:

EQUIPMENT:RECREATIONAL VEHICLE/TRAILER

Potential Number of Units Affected: 21

Problem Description:

Aluminum Trailer Company (ATC) is recalling certain 2022 Toyhauler-20-foot trailers. The electric retractable awning has a welded seam on the fabric that may separate, potentially allowing the awning to drop beyond normal operation.

Consequence:

An awning that drops or extends beyond normal operation can increase the risk of injury.

Remedy:

Dealers will repair or replace the awning fabric, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed on January 16, 2023. Owners may contact ATC's customer service at 1-877-441-2440 ext. 342. ATC's number for this recall is 22E055.

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.

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.

Aluminum Trailer Company (ATC)'s contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Alex Ansley
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement