



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

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Washington, DC 20590

October 4, 2023

Mr. Brian Hess
Director of Customer Experience
Brinkley RV
1655 Brinkley Way
Goshen , IN 46528

NEF-107KL
23V-664

Subject: Undersized Wire in Power Control System

Dear Mr. Hess:

This letter serves to acknowledge Brinkley RV'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:

BRINKLEY RV/MODEL G/2024

Mfr's Report Date: September 29, 2023

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V-664

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected: 143

Problem Description:

Brinkley RV is recalling certain 2024 Brinkley RV Model G fifth wheel toy haulers. The power control system was manufactured with undersized 10-gauge wire instead of 6-gauge wire.

Consequence:

An undersized wire may overheat, increasing the risk of a fire.

Remedy:

Dealers will replace the power control system, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed October 16, 2023. Owners may contact Brinkley customer service at 1-574-501-4280. Brinkley's number for this recall is PCI-2023-01.

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 Brinkley RV and Precision Circuits believe that the risk to safety due to thermal event is extremely improbable. In our view, this statement has no force or effect in terms of Brinkley RV's obligation to undertake and complete the recall, and NHTSA does not agree with it.



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 49 U.S.C. § 30118(f), submission of eight consecutive quarterly reports followed by three annual reports is required. As described in 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. The first of three consecutive annual status reports will be due on, or before, 1 year after the eighth quarterly report was submitted.

Brinkley RV'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