

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

May 17, 2024

Mr. Kevin Van Bronkhorst Winnebago Industries, Inc. 13200 Pioneer Trail Eden Prairie, MN 55347 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-107KL 24V-334

Subject: Outer Barrier May Deploy Unexpectedly/FMVSS 403

Dear Mr. Van Bronkhorst:

This letter serves to acknowledge Winnebago Industries, Inc.'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:

WINNEBAGO/COMMERCIAL VEHICLE/2020

Mfr's Report Date: May 13, 2024

NHTSA Campaign Number: 24V-334

### **Components:**

EQUIPMENT ADAPTIVE/MOBILITY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1

# **Problem Description:**

Winnebago Industries, Inc. (Winnebago) is recalling one 2020 Commercial vehicle, equipped with a certain BraunAbility Wheelchair Lift. The outer barrier may deploy unexpectedly. As such, this vehicle fails to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 403, "Platform Lift Systems."

#### **Consequence:**

Unexpected outer barrier deployment may result in the platform not securely retaining the wheelchair, increasing the risk of injury to lift occupants.

## Remedy:

A dealers will relocate the ground sensing pressure switch, free of charge. Owners may contact Winnebago customer service at 1-641-585-6939 for 1-800-537-1885.

## 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).

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.

Winnebago Industries, Inc.'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

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