



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Kevin Van Bronkhorst
Winnebago Industries, Inc.
PO BOX 152
605 W. Crystal Lake Rd.
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NEF-107KL
24V-733

Subject: Inadequate Turn Signal Luminosity/FMVSS 108

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:

ITASCA/ELLIPSE/2013-2017
ITASCA/MERIDIAN/2013-2017
ITASCA/SOLEI/2014-2017
ITASCA/SUNCRUISER/2016-2018
ITASCA/SUNOVA/2016-2018
ITASCA/SUNSTAR/2015-2018
ITASCA/TRIBUTE/2015-2016
WINNEBAGO/ADVENTURER/2016-2018
WINNEBAGO/BRAVE/2015-2016
WINNEBAGO/COMMERCIAL VEHICLE/2016-2021
WINNEBAGO/FORZA/2014-2022
WINNEBAGO/GRAND TOUR/2015-2019
WINNEBAGO/HORIZON/2018-2020
WINNEBAGO/INTENT/2018-2021
WINNEBAGO/JOURNEY/2013-2018
WINNEBAGO/SIGHTSEER/2016-2018
WINNEBAGO/SUNSTAR/2018-2021
WINNEBAGO/TOUR/2013-2017
WINNEBAGO/VISTA/2015-2021

Mfr's Report Date: October 1, 2024

NHTSA Campaign Number: 24V-733

Components:

EXTERIOR LIGHTING:TURN SIGNAL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 17,329

Problem Description:

Winnebago Industries, Inc. (Winnebago) is recalling certain 2013-2017 Tour, 2013-2018 Journey, 2014-2022 Forza, 2015-2016 Brave, 2015-2019 Grand Tour, 2015-2021 Vista, 2016-2018 Adventurer, Sightseer, 2016-2021 Commercial Vehicle, 2018-2021 Intent, Sunstar, 2018-2020 Horizon, Itasca 2013-2017 Ellipse, Meridian, 2014-2017 Solei, 2015-2016 Tribute, 2015-2018 Sunstar, 2016-2018 Suncruiser, and Sunova motorhomes. The turn signals may have a smaller than required luminous lens area. As such these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) Number 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment."

Consequence:

A small lens can make it difficult for other drivers to see the turn signal, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Dealers will replace the turn signals, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed November 28, 2024. Owners may contact Winnebago Customer Care at 1-800-537-1885. Winnebago's number for this recall is 189.

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 ensure the following requirements are met:

Per the requirements of 573.6(c)(2)(iv), please provide the supplier name, contact information, address and country of origin (if known) for the affected component(s). If your company manufactured the component itself, then please state so in 573.

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).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alex Ansley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a checkmark at the end.

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