



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

November 6, 2024

Mr. Kevin Van Bronkhorst  
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605 W. Crystal Lake Rd.  
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NEF-107KL  
24V-826

**Subject:** Hood Mounting Brackets May Detach

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/SOLEI/2016-2017  
ITASCA/SUNCRUISER/2015-2018  
ITASCA/SUNOVA/2014-2018  
ITASCA/SUNSTAR/2016-2018  
WINNEBAGO/ADVENTURER/2015-2025  
WINNEBAGO/COMMERCIAL VEHICLE/2015-2024  
WINNEBAGO/FORZA/2016-2025  
WINNEBAGO/SIGHTSEER/2014-2018  
WINNEBAGO/SUNSTAR/2018-2025  
WINNEBAGO/VISTA/2016-2025

**Mfr's Report Date:** November 1, 2024

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 24V-826

**Components:**

LATCHES/LOCKS/LINKAGES:HOOD:LATCH  
STRUCTURE:BODY:HOOD:HINGE AND ATTACHMENTS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 11,982

**Problem Description:**

Winnebago Industries, Inc. (Winnebago) is recalling certain 2014-2018 Sightseer, Itasca Sunova, 2016-2025 Forza, Vista, and Itasca/Winnebago Sunstar, 2015-2025 Adventurer, 2015-2024 Commercial Vehicle, 2015-2028 Itasca Suncruiser, and 2016-2017 Itasca Solei recreational vehicles. The hood bracket adhesive may have been incorrectly applied which can allow the bracket to detach.

**Consequence:**

A detached hood bracket may become a road hazard and increase the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

The remedy is currently under development. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed December 30, 2024. Owners may contact Winnebago at 1-800-537-1885. Winnebago's number for this recall is 192.

**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 [nhtsa.gov](https://www.nhtsa.gov).

**Please ensure the following requirements are met:**

A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(i)).

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

As required in Part 573.6, please amend the chronology to provide 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. If claim count exceeds 10 claims, please provide the total number of claims, and a receipt date range for those claims.

**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 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](mailto:kristin.lepper@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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