

August 17, 2018

Mr. Brian Trombley PTL Engineering, Inc 3333 John Conley Dr. Lapeer, MI 48446

Subject: RV Door may Open While Moving/FMVSS 206

Dear Mr. Trombley:

This letter serves to acknowledge PTL Engineering, 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: PTL ENGINEERING/RV DOOR LATCHES/9999

Mfr's Report Date: July 27, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18E-062

**Components:** EQUIPMENT:RECREATIONAL VEHICLE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 442

## **Problem Description:**

PTL Engineering, Inc. (PTL) is recalling certain 3000 and 7000 Series recreational vehicle Entry Doors, part Numbers 009-227 and 019-064. The latch rod may be improperly adjusted, allowing the door to open unexpectedly while the vehicle is moving. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 206, "Door Locks and Door Retention Components."

## **Consequence:**

If the door opens while moving, it could become a distraction to the vehicle operator and other drivers and/or objects may fall out and become road hazards. Either scenario increases the risk of a crash.

## **Remedy:**

PTL will notify the vehicle manufacturers that purchased the doors and dealers for those manufacturers will readjust the latch rod, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in August 2018. Owners may contact PTL customer service at 1-810-664-2310.

## 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.safercar.gov.



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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.

Please amend your recall filing to include the vehicle manufacturers that purchased the affected RV doors.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall 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 Part 573.7, submission of the first of six 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.

Your contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Timian Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations Enforcement

