



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

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Ms. Debbie Adams
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NEF-150MR
18V-091

Subject: Battery May Move or Fall Out of Compartment

Dear Ms. Adams:

This letter serves to acknowledge Lance Camper Manufacturing, Corp.'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:

LANCE/TRAVEL TRAILER/2018

Mfr's Report Date: February 2, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18V-091

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,164

Problem Description:

Lance Camper Manufacturing Corp. (Lance) is recalling certain 2018 travel trailers, models 1985, 1995, 2185, 2155, 2295, and 2375. The battery on these vehicles may move within its compartment while the vehicle is in motion, causing the door to open and allowing the battery to fall out.

Consequence:

If the battery falls out of the compartment with the trailer is being towed, it may become a road hazard, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Lance will notify owners, and dealers will install a retrofit strap kit to keep the battery from moving, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 15, 2018. Owners may contact Lance customer service at 1-661-949-3322.

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.

We have received Lance's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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.

The information in your report suggests that Lance may have been aware of this issue more than five business days before filing a report with NHTSA. Please be reminded that under Federal law, this agency is to be notified of all safety defect and/or noncompliance decisions within five business days. Please update your chronology to add any additional information as necessary. 49 CFR 573.6

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
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Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement