

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 22E-094

**Manufacturer Name :** Carefree Of Colorado**Submission Date :** NOV 22, 2022**NHTSA Recall No. :** 22E-094**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Carefree Of Colorado

Address : 2145 W 6th Avenue  
Broomfield CO 80020

Company phone : 800-621-2617

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 8,000

Estimated percentage with defect : 1 %

**Equipment Information :**

Brand / Trade 1 : Carefree of Colorado

Model : Freestyle

Part No. : 015933-002

Size : NR

Function : NR

**Descriptive Information :** The units affected by this notice are based on the time period of the production dates to the component in question. There are approximately 8,000 units potentially affected by the issue of concern.

Production Dates : FEB 27, 2020 - NOV 01, 2022

**Description of Defect :**

**Description of the Defect :** There is a potential for cracks to develop in the gearbox housing. In a fraction of a percent of units, a gearbox housing has been observed to show a crack that may develop into a fracture. As a result of such fracture, there appears to be a potential for release of the awning brake under certain in-use conditions.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** An awning that extends unintentionally while the motor home is in motion could be a distraction and/or present a road hazard to the vehicle driver or oncoming traffic, which can increase the risk of a crash.

Description of the Cause : NR

**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** N/A

**Involved Components :**

Component Name : Motor Assembly, Small Box, 12V DC, Right Hand

Component Description : A motor which rolls and unrolls the awning, and holds the awning closed when not in use, located on the right hand side of the awning.

Component Part Number : 015933-002

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : ICSN

Address : 521 Princeland Court  
Corona California 92879

Country : United States

## Chronology :

On or about August 31, 2022, an OEM notified the Company of a report of an awning deployment with a suspected crack in the gearbox housing. The Company promptly began an investigation in an attempt to replicate the occurrence. The Company initially was unable to replicate the occurrence. However, after further investigation, the Company was able to replicate the occurrence on November 1, 2022. At that time, the Company immediately initiated a stop shipment and stop production order.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Carefree of Colorado intends to coordinate the remedy of units identified in this report in conjunction with Winnebago and Chinook Motor Coach. Although the specifics of the remedy are still being investigated, Carefree of Colorado anticipates that the remedy will be performed by Winnebago Dealers and Chinook Motor Coach Dealers.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : See above.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : On November 1, 2022, the Company issued a stop shipment and stop production order. It will not resume shipment and production until it can correct the issue of concern in production.

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : NR

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NOV 10, 2022 - NOV 14, 2022

Planned Owner Notification Date : JAN 06, 2023 - JAN 06, 2023

## Purchaser Information :

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name : Winnebago Industries

Address : P.O. Box 152  
Forrest City IA 50436

Country : US

Company Phone : NR

Name : Chinook Motor Coach

Address : 1482 North Eel River Cemetery Road  
Peru IN 46970

Country : US

Company Phone : NR

\* NR - Not Reported