

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

January 26, 2022

Mike Olsen Trails West Manufacturing of Idaho, Inc. P.O. Box 67 Preston, ID 83263

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-107KL 22V-026

Subject: Propane Regulator May Fail and Cause Fire

Dear Mike Olsen:

This letter serves to acknowledge Trails West Manufacturing of Idaho, 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:

TRAILS WEST/CLASSIC/2017-2021 TRAILS WEST/FREERIDE/2017-2021 TRAILS WEST/SANTA FE/2017-2021 TRAILS WEST/SIERRA/2017-2021

**Mfr's Report Date:** January 21, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-026

**Components:** EQUIPMENT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 506

### **Problem Description:**

Trails West Manufacturing of Idaho, Inc. (Trails West) is recalling certain 2017-2021 Sierra, Classic, Santa Fe, and Freeride trailers equipped with Winntec model 6020 two-stage propane regulators. The regulator may fail, causing an increase in propane pressure.

## **Consequence:**

Increased propane pressure can enlarge the flames in gas appliances, increasing the risk of a fire.

## Remedy:

Dealers will replace the regulators, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed in January 2022. Owners may contact Trail West customer service at 1-208-852-2200.

#### **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:

As required in Part 573.6(c)(6), in the case of a defect, please amend the chronology to provide all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including 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.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

We have received Trails West's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

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.

As stated in Part 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.

Trails West Manufacturing of Idaho, 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,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

