

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

June 7, 2022

Mr. Steve Mary
Winnebago Industries, Inc.
605 W Crystal Lake Rd.
Forest City, IA 50436

NEF-107KL
22V-393

Subject: Damaged Cooktop Control Valves May Leak Gas

Dear Mr. Mary:

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.

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

### Makes/Models/Model Years:

WINNEBAGO/ERA/2020

Mfr's Report Date: June 2, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-393

#### **Components:**

EQUIPMENT: APPLIANCE: OVEN/STOVE/COOKTOP

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 56

## **Problem Description:**

Winnebago Industries, Inc. (Winnebago) is recalling certain 2020 ERA motorhomes, equipped with certain 2-burner cooktops. The burner control valves may become damaged, causing a gas leak.

## **Consequence:**

A gas leak in the presence of an ignition source can increase the risk of a fire.

### Remedy:

Dealers will replace the cooktops, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed June 30, 2022. Owners may contact Winnebago customer service at 1-641-585-6939 or 1-800-537-1885.

#### 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:

Per the requirements of 49 USC 30119, please provide the part number, name and description of the component or components involved in this recall. This information should be provided in an amended 573 in the "Involved Components" section.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.



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

## AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

We have received Winnebago'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.

Winnebago Industries, 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

