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99V-135 (82)

via FAX and
Certified Mail

Dear Sir or Madam:

Re: Park Trailer Recall

Layton Homes Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Skyline Corporation, has discovered that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain park trailers manufactured at its Elkhart, Indiana facility, as described below.

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DEFECTS INVESTIGATION
GENERAL INFORMATION

Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 573.5(c), Skyline hereby submits the following information:

1. Name of Manufacturer: Layton Homes Corp. (Skyline Corporation)
2. Identification of Vehicles: 1999 "Nomad" and "Layton" brand model 3740 park trailers manufactured between February 5, 1999 and May 12, 1999
3. Number of Vehicles: 57
4. Percentage of Vehicles with Defect: 100% of the model 3740 park trailers manufactured during the above time period.
5. Description of Defect: The C-range tires on the model 3740 park trailers do not have sufficient cargo carrying capacity.
6. Basis for Recall: An error was made in calculating the gross vehicle weight rating of the 1999 model 3740 park trailer.
7. Recall Program: Skyline will furnish dealers with a list of serial numbers of units and notify any retail purchasers to return the vehicles to the dealership for replacement of the C-range tires with D-range tires, having a greater weight capacity. The certification label on the vehicle will be changed to show an 11,000 pound GVWR and 10,000 pound GAWR. Skyline will furnish replacement tires and labels to the dealers and pay the labor costs involved in changing the tires and label.

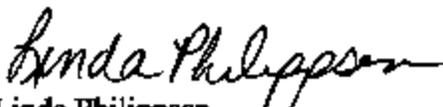
BRINGING AMERICA HOME. BRINGING AMERICA FUN.

8. **Recall Notice:** Skyline will be sending the attached notices to retail customers and dealers.

Your prompt approval of Skyline's recall notices is requested. I can be reached by telephone at 219-294-6521 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST. My FAX number is 219-522-5257. Since Skyline has identified all affected units, no other media campaign is planned. Skyline will submit quarterly reports.

For your information, park trailers (unlike traditional recreational vehicles) are generally permanently sited, often times with decks and skirting attached, and never moved after the original installation. In those instances, it is unlikely that consumers will respond to the recall notice since they do not plan to move their trailers.

Very truly yours,


Linda Philippsen

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SAV-135 (38)

May 24, 1999

Dear Skyline Dealer:

On May 24, 1999, Skyline contacted the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to report a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety in its 1999 "Nomad" and "Layton" model 3740 park trailers manufactured between February 5, 1999 and May 12, 1999.

The defect was introduced due to an error in calculating the gross vehicle weight rating of this model. The C-range tires on the model 3740 will be replaced with D-range tires, which will increase the cargo capacity to more than 1,000 pounds.

Skyline will contact all customers that purchased one of these recreational vehicles. Our records show that you received the following units. Please furnish Skyline with the names and addresses of the purchasers or inform Skyline if the unit remains in your stock.

<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Date Shipped</u>	<u>Name and Address of Retail Purchaser</u>
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Retail purchasers will be provided with Skyline's toll-free number (1-800-736-2573) to obtain the location of the nearest dealer for replacement of the tires and the certification label.

We ask that you take the following steps to correct any units in your stock or that are returned for service by the customer:

1. Order D-range tires and replacement certification labels for any units in your stock or any units returned by retail purchasers.
2. Install the replacement tires and certification label on the park trailer(s).
3. Invoice Skyline for your labor billed at your normal labor rates.

Skyline apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause you or our retail customers. Thank you for your help in remedying this situation on a timely basis.

Sincerely,

Ken McCain
Division Manager

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May 24, 1999

JIV-135 (19)

Dear Park Trailer Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

REASON FOR THIS RECALL

Layton Homes Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Skyline Corporation, has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in its 1999 model 3740 "Nomad" and "Layton" park trailers. The gross vehicle weight rating on these units was miscalculated. Therefore, the tires on these park trailers may not have sufficient cargo weight capacity.

WHAT WE WILL DO

Your Skyline dealer will replace the tires and the certification label at no cost to you.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

Please contact your dealer as soon as possible to arrange a service date and permit the dealer to order the necessary replacement tires. Instructions for making this repair have been sent to your dealer and the tires and labels are available. The labor time necessary to make this correction is approximately 30 minutes. You may call Skyline at 1-800-736-2573 for the name and address of your nearest dealer.

Your Skyline dealer is best equipped to obtain parts and provide service to ensure that your park trailer is corrected as promptly as possible. If, however, you take your vehicle to your dealer on the agreed service date and they do not remedy this condition on that date or within three days, we recommend you contact Skyline's service department at the "800" number listed above.

After contacting your dealer and Skyline, if you are still not able to have the safety defect remedied without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590 or call 1-800-424-9393.

We apologize for this inconvenience. However, we have taken this action in the interest of your safety and continued satisfaction with your Skyline park trailer.