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Mr. Daniel Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Ave. S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Airstream
Defect and Non-Compliance Report

Dear Mr. Smith:

Airstream has identified a vehicle non-compliance with FMVSS 108 in certain Airstream travel trailers manufactured between June 2002 and June 2008.

Pursuant to Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, we are hereby notifying the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that certain vehicles manufactured by Airstream were built without rear reflex reflectors.

- A. Recall Population and Vehicle Identification. The travel trailers built with the non-compliance are as follows:

<u>Model Name</u>	<u>Model Number</u>	<u>Model Years</u>
Bambi	16', 19', 22'	2002- 2009
International	16', 19', 22'	2002- 2009
Safari	16', 19', 22'	2002- 2009
75 th Anniversary	16', 19', 22'	2002- 2009
DWR	16', 19', 22'	2002- 2009
Ocean Breeze	16', 19', 22'	2002- 2009

The total number of vehicles subject to this recall campaign is 2052.

- B. Description of Defect. The travel trailers were built without rear reflex reflectors. Airstream's rear lighting did not contain the integral reflectors as required by FMVSS 108 and additional reflectors were not provided. 100% of the travel trailers subject to this recall campaign were built without the reflectors.
- C. Basis for Determining that a Defect Exists. Airstream discovered this non-compliance during a routine compliance audit. There are no known injuries or accidents that have been reported to Airstream as a result of this non-compliance.

- D. Remedying of Defect. The recall campaign by Airstream to remedy the non-compliance is to send separate reflectors to the affected customers and dealers with instructions for proper installation. Customers will have the option of installing the reflectors or taking the travel trailer to the nearest Airstream certified dealer. This will be done at no charge to the affected customers.
- E. Owner Notifications. Airstream will notify all registered owners of the travel trailers. A copy of the Owner notification letter will be forwarded shortly for approval.
- F. Dealer Notifications. Airstream will notify all Airstream dealers of the non conformance and provide them with repair procedures.
- G. Quarterly Reporting Requirements. Airstream will be filing quarterly reports as required by Part 573.7 of Title 49 the Code of Federal Regulations.
- H. Campaign Number. Airstream does not have an internal campaign number for this recall. Airstream will use the recall campaign number assigned by NHTSA.

The enclosed information should comply with the NHTSA regulations and satisfy the obligations of Airstream with respect to this recall campaign. If you need any additional information regarding the participation of Airstream in this recall campaign, please feel free to contact David Mihalick at 937-596-6849, Ext. 7363. Or Dave Schumann, Airstream, at 937-596-6111.

Sincerely,



David M. Mihalick
Thor Industries
Standards Compliance Manager