



TO: Winnebago Industries, Inc. Dealers

SUBJECT: Campaign #83 - Loose LP Tank Fasteners

The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, as amended, provides that each vehicle which is subject to a recall campaign of this type must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time after the owner has tendered it for repair. A failure to adequately repair within 60 days after tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time.

If the condition is not adequately repaired within a reasonable time, the owners may be entitled to an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle at no charge or to a refund of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation.

To avoid having to provide these burdensome solutions, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each owner and to repair their vehicle as soon as possible. As you will see in reading the enclosed copy of the letter which is being sent to owners, the owners are being instructed to contact Winnebago Industries, Inc. if you do not remedy the condition within five days of the mutually agreed upon service date. If the condition is not remedied within a reasonable time, they are instructed on how to contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

REASON FOR THIS RECALL

Winnebago Industries, Inc. has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Winnebago Journey™, Winnebago Journey™ DL, and Itasca Horizon® (Models WKP36L, WKP36LD, and IKP36LD) motor homes. LP tank attachment hardware may have become loose in motor homes built between April 28, 1999 and May 11, 2001. If the attachment hardware is loosened, the road vibration may produce undue stress on the weld joints of the brackets and they may break. If this happens, the tank may fall off resulting in a road hazard which has the potential to ignite, concluding in bodily injury and/or property damage.

OWNER NOTIFICATION

Owners will be notified of this campaign on their vehicles by Winnebago Industries, Inc. For all units in your inventory, the notification will be mailed to you. **DO NOT DELIVER TO A CUSTOMER ANY SUBJECT UNIT UNTIL CORRECTIVE ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN.** Enclosed is a list of vehicles shipped to you.

DEALER CAMPAIGN RESPONSIBILITY

Dealers are to service all vehicles subject to this campaign at no charge to owners regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership from this time forward.

Whenever a vehicle subject to this campaign is taken into new or used vehicle inventory, or it is in your dealership for service in the future, you should take the steps necessary to be sure the campaign correction has been made before reselling or releasing the vehicle. Owners of vehicles recently sold from your new vehicle inventory are to be contacted by the dealer, and arrangements made to make the required correction according to instructions contained in this campaign.

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MEMORANDUM

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INSTRUCTION TO PERFORM CAMPAIGN #83

Affected Models:

Certain 2000 and 2001 WKP36L, WKP36LD, and IKP36LD models built between April 28, 1999 and May 11, 2001.

Repair Procedure:

Refer to instruction sheet for tank inspection and fastener torque procedure.

Parts Information:

Order the following Parts Kit from Winnebago using the WinNet system.

Kit Number: 088253-06-700

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Part Description</u>
4	Nut - Prevailing Torque
4	Bolts - Hex Ser. Fig. 3/8 - 16 x 1
1	Instruction Sheet

REIMBURSEMENT

When the service has been completed, file the repair order that has the labor amount and labor operation number listed below. The repair order must be properly signed by both dealer and owner before it is submitted to Winnebago Industries.

	<u>OPERATION NUMBER</u>	<u>TIME ALLOWANCE</u>
INSPECT TANK AND TORQUE FASTENERS:	24830101	<u>.5</u> hr.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Winnebago Industries, Inc.
Forest City, Iowa 50436

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Enclosures

INSTRUCTIONS TO PERFORM CAMPAIGN #83

LP Gas Tank Mounting Bolts Loose

NOTE: This campaign affects limited production runs of the following Winnebago Industries Inc. 2000 and 2001 model year 36' class-A models built from April 28, 1999 to May 14, 2001.

- 2000, 2001 and 2002 Winnebago Journey models WKP36L and WKP36LD
- 2000, 2001 and 2002 Itasca Horizon model IKP36L

ISSUE

On some vehicles, the LP gas tank mounting bolts and nuts may have become loosened by road vibration. See photo.

PROCEDURE

The basic procedure involves inspecting the four LP gas tank mounting bolts and nuts, and if necessary, adding new 3/8" prevailing torque flange nuts supplied in the parts kit. In some cases the tank may need to be replaced, but only if the tank bracket or weld joint have become damaged from wear by vibration.

- Close the LP gas tank main supply valve before beginning.
- No Smoking while working near LP gas components!
- Inspect the nuts
- If tight, do not replace nuts, but add 3/8" prevailing torque flange nuts on top of existing nut if threads on mounting studs allow.
- If loose, inspect for damage to tank or brackets (holes, welds, etc.) If no damage exists, replace existing nuts with new hex flange nuts and torque tighten to 21 – 26 ft.lbs.
- If the bolt threads have become damaged, replace bolts as necessary with new 3/8" x 1" serrated flange head bolts supplied in the parts kit.
- If you encounter damaged tank mounting weld joints and must replace a tank, first contact Winnebago Ind. Warranty dept. (800-628-7692) or technical service dept. (888-653-4329) for instructions and scrap and reimbursement.
- If replacing tank, conduct leak test on all new LP gas connections.

