

Dressen Custom Trailers, Inc.

Part 573 Report

Date: September 27, 2013

This report serves as notification by Dressen Custom Trailers, Inc to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (“NHTSA”) that a motor vehicle safety-related issue exists in certain travel trailer locks supplied by Fastec Industrial Corp., a division of WESCO Distribution, Inc., for installation in the doors of Recreational Vehicles (“RVs”). Additional information concerning the recalled locks can be found in Fastec’s Part 573 Report that was separately filed on July 11, 2013 with an assigned NHTSA Recall #13E039.

I. Manufacturer, Designated Agent, and Other Chain of Distribution Information

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II. Identification of the Recall Population and Its Size

Type of Equipment:

The product consists of certain travel trailer locks with a keyed paddle handle and deadbolt (the “locks”) installed in the doors of RVs. Only FIC locks that have an integrated deadbolt are affected by this recall. The RVs potentially affected by the recall are as follows:

Brand: Dakota Cargo trailers & Dakota Competitor Trailers
Model Nos: DC & CP Series
Model years: January 2006 – April 2013.
Body Style/Type: Cargo trailers

Total Product Sold:

Dressen Custom trailers sold a total of 119 travel trailers with an FIC deadbolt lock between January 1, 2006 and April 25, 2013. This total includes locks with any key code, not just the subset of 20 key codes that may be affected by the recall.

Current Inventory Estimates:

Dressen Custom trailers has reviewed its current inventory of travel trailers and has replaced all potentially affected locks in its inventory and has no additional travel trailers in its inventory with any potentially affected locks.

III. Description of Issue and Type of Hazard

In or about June/July 2013, Fastec notified Dressen Custom trailers that Fastec intended to initiate a recall of the potentially affected locks due to a potential jamming issue with the deadbolt cylinder. If a lock is affected, the key may be able to be removed from the locked door when the key in the deadbolt cylinder is in the horizontal 9 o’clock position, potentially jamming the deadbolt and potentially causing the red lever on the interior side of the lock to become inoperable. In that event, a person inside the travel trailer may not be able to unlock and open the main RV door, but he or she could still exit the trailer from the emergency exit.

IV. The Remedy Program and Its Schedule

Upon approval of the proposed recall and the recall announcement, Dressen Custom trailers will work with Fastec to notify consumers of the recall. Dressen Custom trailers estimates that it will issue consumer notifications in the fourth quarter of 2013. Dressen Custom trailers will coordinate the recall efforts with Fastec and will refer consumers to Fastec for free replacement of the cylinders in any affected locksets as described more fully in Fastec's Part 573 Report.