

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 16V-728

**Manufacturer Name :** Forest River, Inc.

**Submission Date :** OCT 07, 2016

**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-728

**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 10-10062016-0254



## Manufacturer Information :

**Manufacturer Name :** Forest River, Inc.

**Address :** 55470 CR 1

P.O. Box 3030 Elkhart IN 46515-3030

**Company phone :** 1-800-348-7440

## Population :

**Number of potentially involved :** 5

**Estimated percentage with defect :** 100 %

## Vehicle Information :

**Vehicle 1 :** 2017-2017 Forest River, Inc. Rockwood - RLF2440WS & RLF2650WS

**Vehicle Type :** TRAILERS

**Body Style :**

**Power Train :** NR

**Descriptive Information :** Rockwood is a recreational vehicle manufactured by Forest River, Inc.

**Production Dates :** JUL 21, 2016 - AUG 15, 2016

**VIN Range 1 : Begin :** 4X4FRLZ29HZ146064 **End :** 4X4FRLC26HZ146550  Not sequential

**Vehicle 2 :** 2017-2017 Forest River, Inc. Flagstaff - FLF527RLWS

**Vehicle Type :** TRAILERS

**Body Style :**

**Power Train :** NR

**Descriptive Information :** Flagstaff is a recreational vehicle manufactured by Forest River, Inc.

**Production Dates :** AUG 31, 2016 - AUG 31, 2016

**VIN Range 1 : Begin :** 4X4FFLC25HZ146869 **End :** 4X4FFLC25HZ146869  Not sequential

## Description of Defect :

**Description of the Defect :** In vehicles with two air conditioners installed, there is may be excess slack in the wiring harness used in the air conditioner that contains a heating element.

**FMVSS 1 :** NR

**FMVSS 2 :** NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** If the excess slack in the wiring comes into contact with the heating element and melts the wire coating, the wiring could short, potentially resulting in a fire.

**Description of the Cause :** The wiring was not sufficiently tied back and away from the air conditioner heating element during the manufacturing process.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : None.

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : NR  
Address : NR  
NR  
Country : NR

## Chronology :

On September 28, 2016, Forest River – Office of Corporate Compliance (“OCC”) received communication from Rockwood and Flagstaff manufacturing plants concerning the location of certain portions of electrical wiring. OCC, working with the manufacturing plants, conducted an internal investigation of the issue. The internal investigation revealed the possibility for wiring to melt if it were to come into contact with the air conditioner’s heating unit.

On September 29, 2016, Forest River’s Corporate Committee decided to conduct a safety recall for this matter.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Forest River will provide a remedy kit, free of charge, to the dealer to constrain the wire away from the air conditioner heating element. Owners shall not be charged for this service.

What is the Forest River Customer Service Phone Number? (574)  
642-5164

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The wiring harness will be inspected to ensure that it is properly secured away from the heating element.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : This particular defect is due to the installation of two Air Conditioners installed onto the recreational vehicle. During this installation, the plant has taken measures to assure the wiring is secured away from the heating element. This identified and fixed on September 28, 2016.

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : Forest River has the utmost urgency in our recalls. Forest River will send suspected VIN numbers to our third party vendor that is licensed to pull data on the current owner of the vehicles once a formal NHTSA I.D. is provided. Forest River intends on pushing the mailing out as soon as NHTSA provides any correction(s) and an Acknowledgement Letter.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : DEC 05, 2016 - DEC 05, 2016

Planned Owner Notification Date : DEC 05, 2016 - DEC 05, 2016

\* NR - Not Reported