



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Keith Fisher
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NEF-150KS
16V-762

Subject: Mislabeled Axle Capacity

Dear Mr. Fisher:

This letter serves to acknowledge Forest River, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

FOREST RIVER/CEDAR CREEK/2017

Mfr's Report Date: October 18, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V-762

Components:

SUSPENSION:REAR:AXLE:NON-POWERED AXLE ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8

Problem Description:

Forest River, Inc. (Forest River) is recalling certain model year 2017 Cedar Creek recreational trailers manufactured September 8, 2016, to September 19, 2016. The axles installed on these vehicles were incorrectly identified as having a 7,000 pound capacity when they were only rated and designed to carry up to 6,000 pounds.

Consequence:

The owner of a vehicle with the incorrect axles could unknowingly overload the vehicle, possibly resulting in a loss of control or reduced braking distance, potentially increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

All affected vehicles have been captured at the dealer level and are being repaired prior to sale. Therefore, an owner notification letter will not be issued for this campaign. Dealers will replace the axles that are rated for a 7,000lb capacity. Owners may contact Forest River customer service at 1-574-593-4000 extension 20209. Forest River's number for this recall is 20-10112016-0255.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

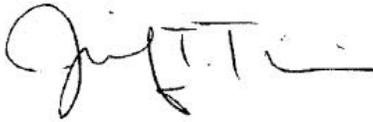
Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement