Part 573 Safety Recall Report

19V-555

Manufacturer Name: Forest River, Inc.

Submission Date: JUL 26, 2019 NHTSA Recall No.: 19V-555

Manufacturer Recall No.: 05-1060



Manufacturer Information:

Population:

Manufacturer Name: Forest River, Inc.

Number of potentially involved: 484 Address: 55470 CR 1 Estimated percentage with defect: 100 %

P.O. Box 3030 Elkhart IN 46515-3030

Company phone: 1-800-348-7440

Vehicle Information:

Vehicle 1: 2013-2019 Forest River Inc. Starcraft Senator II, Senator 11, Senator 11 HD, Starcraft

Allstar, Starcraft Allstar XL, Starcraft Starlight

Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style: Power Train: NR

Descriptive Information: According to the notice received from Safe Fleet, this issue begins from inception of

this specific escape roof-hatch handle assembly. Using production records, Forest

River was able to determine the affected population.

The information contained in this report was submitted pursuant to 49 CFR §573

Not sequential

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Production Dates: APR 04, 2011 - JUN 19, 2019

VIN Range 1: Begin: NR End: NR

Description of Defect:

Description of the Defect: According to the notice received from Safe Fleet, The handle that is used to

open the hatch may break causing the hatch to not open.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: According to the notice received from Safe Fleet, If the handle breaks the

hatch will not open making it difficult to escape from that exit point during an

emergency which can result in injury or death.

Description of the Cause: According to the notice received from Safe Fleet, the latch handle was found to

have porosity in the steel shaft, which causes voids in the material.

Identification of Any Warning None that can Occur:

Supplier Identification:

Component Manufacturer

Name: Safe Fleet

Address: 6800 East 163rd Street

Belton MISSOURI 64012

Country: United States

Chronology:

On July 16, 2019, Forest River was made aware by Safe Fleet of a concern of two handles breaking during vehicle inspections. According to the notice received from Safe Fleet, Inspections and testing was performed by Safe Fleet and it was found that there was substantial porosity in the shaft that connects the handle to the latch. On July 16, 2019, Forest River's manufacturing plant started reviewing purchasing and production records. On July 22, 2019, Forest River was able to determine the use of the roof hatch in certain transit buses. On July 26, 2019, Forest Rivers Corporate Recall Committee voted to recall

Description of Remedy:

Description of Remedy Program: Forest River, in conjunction with Safe Fleet, will provide a new latch

handle(s), and labor to replace free of charge to dealers. A Forest River

Dealer must perform the repair.

What is the Forest River Customer Service Phone Number? (800)

748-3440

How Remedy Component Differs The new latch handle shaft will have the correct amount of hardness.

from Recalled Component: PN 05-004-003 Hatch-Prolo, VT White 92"R

PN 05-004-016 Hatch-Prolo LT Grey 92" VLK CH545 ENG

Identify How/When Recall Condition This was corrected in production the week of July 16, 2019

was Corrected in Production:

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 (as needed) 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: SEP 13, 2019 - SEP 13, 2019 Planned Owner Notification Date: SEP 13, 2019 - SEP 13, 2019

* NR - Not Reported