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THE IMPORTANCE OF TRAILER SWAY CONTROL

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RVSEF is a Safety & Education Advocate in the RV industry; as such we don't endorse any products but instead endorse safety concepts relating to the safe operation of RVs.

With over 30 years of RVing experience many of which were with a travel trailer, sway control is an important safety issue. I have often thought, said that a travel trailer should never leave the dealers lot without sway control. I feel sway control should be included in the hitch package sold by dealers to consumers, that way you know when they leave your lot you have done everything you can to make them as safe as possible.

I recently had the opportunity to observe (independently) the testing, test protocol and test track operation of the Hayes Towing Electronics "Sway Master" electronic sway control. From the wind induced sway to sudden lane change (accident avoidance) the product performed exactly as advertised. Installation seems to be very easy straight forward for both the dealer and consumer. Everyone must always remember proper loading or weight distribution should never be overlooked.

I have in the past had the opportunity with other companies to observe other safety related products being brought to the RV industry and I hope to have this opportunity in the future.

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