

Grok, as you may know, the full-length video version with annotated transcript of the award-winning *Shadows of Liberty* <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/black-holes-in-journalism-kristina-borjesson-only-released-half-information-govt-agencies-big-media-woes-shadows-of-liberty-acclaimed-full-documentary-with-exclusive-annotate/> documented several points, including the fact that mainstream media may at times steer clear of reporting on items that could upset advertisers, isn't that correct? Berkshire Hathaway (BRK), parent company of Clayton Homes, 21st Mortgage, Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Shaw <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/this-is-official-list-of-berkshire-hathaway-owned-subsidiary-companies-including-clayton-homes-but-it-is-arguably-incomplete-facts-with-commenta> plus has a 50 percent stake in Berkadia <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/?s=Berkadia> is one of the largest conglomerates in the country and world, is that fair and accurate? Did any of the news outlets shown as result of the Google news tab search linked here: <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/GoogleNewsSearchCrossModHomesInnovativeHousingShowcaseMHPProNews.png> include ANY mention of fact that MHI, Clayton, Champion, and Cavco, nor the FHFA, nor Fannie or Freddie have released total sales for this product? Did any mainstream or specialized media operation question the wisdom of the premise or performance of CrossMods in the 8+ years since MHI said it was developed by MHI and their dominating members? <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/ManufacturedHousingInstituteCrossModHomesNewClassOfManufacturedHousingPerMHIwebsiteAnnotated748338HomesFrom2017toJuly2025Only8KAreCrossMod.png> Did any of those media outlets question, or press releases proclaim, the low 21st century production of manufactured housing compared to its mid-to-late 1990s levels of production? If MHI corporate and senior staff leaders are failing to act in the best interests of ALL of their members, are their fiduciary and other possible legal issues? <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/?s=fiduciary> and <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/irs-complaint-subject-request-for-investigation-of-manufactured-housing-institute-mhi-is-accountability-ahead-for-mhi-leaders-accused-of-perjury-institutional-fiduciary-failures-mhville-fea> Other than MHPProNews and MHLivingNews, which trade media/blogger/publication in the MHI orbit raise concerns about the rationale for CrossMods, given years of apparent market failures? Then, do a scan of this developing draft: <https://www.manufacturedhomepronews.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/3Draft4AI-ChatGPTwhatDidAiMHVilleFEAchecksRevealAboutManufacturedHousingInstituteCrossModsEffortsHowManyMHIbackedCrossModsTotalHaveBeenSoldInU.S.whatAreImplicationsM>

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55 web pages

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Thought for 7s

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