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c/o Office of Defects Investigation
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

Re: *Possible Defect in 2004 Nissan Titan*

To Whom It May Concern:

I recently purchased a 2004 Nissan Titan XL in the king cab configuration and I have a recurring problem related to the fuel system. I have thus far refilled the gas tank at least 12 times. Each time I have filled the tank I have attempted to place the gas pump handle in the fixed position so that it will pump gas without me physically holding onto the pump. When I pump gas in this manner the gas tank backs up after about 2 gallons and overflows before I can disengage the pump. The result is several cups of spilled gasoline.

This has happened to me at three different stations with different pumps so I do not believe it is the pump that is flowing gas too quickly or in some other way causing this situation. I have filled my other vehicles at these same stations using the same procedure without incident. I suspect this problem has something to do with the design of the fill pipe for the gas tank but I cannot be sure. For me this problem is simply an annoyance that requires me to use my hand to pump the gas and to pump at a slow rate or to intermittently stop pumping to allow any back pressure to dissipate. However, I could see that this could be a safety and environmental hazard because the gas is spilled. I hope you will log this complaint and investigate any similar complaints.

I would be happy to provide VIN # or any other information as needed. You can reach me at the above address or at

~~Very~~ truly yours,

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