



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE.
Washington, DC 20590

March 24, 2009

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Boca Raton, FL [REDACTED]

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Ref. # 10262329

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your correspondence dated February 11, 2009, concerning your model year (MY) 2003 Mitsubishi Lancer vehicle. The U.S. Department of Justice forwarded your correspondence to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation (ODI). Your correspondence was received on March 17, 2009.

NHTSA is the Federal agency responsible for improving safety on our Nation's highways. We are authorized to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. However, we cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

The recall you mentioned is not a NHTSA safety mandated recall. Automobile emission recalls should be directed to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). You may contact the EPA by writing to:

Environmental Protection Agency
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Mail Code 3213A
Washington, DC 20460



Should you encounter a safety-related problem with a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment in the future, you can complete an electronic Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire online at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/ivoq>. Also, a summary listing of vehicle owners' complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc. can be obtained at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Randy Reid".

Randy Reid
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Enclosure