

DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT

1. Component Controlling Corporation:

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Actual Component Manufacturer:

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2. Identification of Affected Equipment:

The items of equipment involved are the Lexus/Toyota All Weather Floor Mats sold as an optional accessory mat for certain 2007 and early 2008 model year Lexus ES350 and Toyota Camry vehicles.

Component Name	Part Number	Dates of Manufacture
Lexus/Toyota optional All Weather Floor Mat	PT908-33070 PT908-33071 PT908-32070 PT908-32072	December, 2005 though September, 2007

3. Total Number of Equipment Potentially Affected:

Approx. 69,000 All Weather Floor Mats

4. Percentage of Equipment Estimated to Actually Contain the Defect:

100%

5. Description of Problem:

The subject All Weather Floor Mat (AWFM) is specifically designed for the 2007 and early 2008 model year Lexus ES350 and Toyota Camry vehicles, which includes two grommet holes and retaining hooks (clips) to secure the mat to the vehicle's carpet. If the AWFM is not secured by the retaining hooks (clips) either by itself or if it is placed on top of an existing carpeted floor mat, the mat could move forward during the vehicle usage and it may interfere with the accelerator pedal. In the worst case, the accelerator pedal may temporarily become stuck in a partially depressed position when returning to the idle position.

6. Chronology of Principal Events:

In March 2007, NHTSA opened a Preliminary Investigation (PE07-016) concerning the interference between the AWFM and accelerator pedal on the 2007 model year Lexus ES350 vehicles when the AWFM is placed on top of an existing carpeted floor mat. Toyota studied the condition of the issue, and concluded that if the AWFM is used by itself and secured properly by the retaining clips as Toyota instructs in the owner's manual, it does not interfere with the accelerator pedal. Therefore, Toyota conducted an owner mailing to all owners of 2007 model year Lexus ES350 vehicles from late April through mid May, advising the proper use and installation of the AWFM. In addition, Toyota conducted some enhancements on the AWFM and its package that further bring the installation instructions of the AWFM to the attention of customers.

In August 2007, NHTSA upgraded this investigation to an Engineering Analysis (EA07-010) based on the 17 complaints which NHTSA had received at that time. Although Toyota believes that the AWFM never interfere with the accelerator pedal if it's secured properly by the retaining clips as Toyota instructs and also any defect exist not only on the AWFM but also on the vehicles, to alleviate the concerns of NHTSA and customers about safety, and to reduce the possibility that the accelerator pedal is temporarily stuck in a partially depressed position by the interference with the AWFM when it's not secured by the retaining clips, Toyota decided to improve the affected AWFM and conduct a voluntary safety recall campaign to replace all of the affected AWFMs with the improved one.

7. Description of Corrective Repair Action:

Reimbursement Plan for pre-notification remedies:

8. Recall Schedule: