



U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

ODI RESUME

Investigation: TQ10-002
Prompted By: 10V-017, 10V-018
Date Opened: 02/16/2010
Principal Investigator: Jennifer Timian
Subject: Sticking Accelerator Pedals

Manufacturer: Toyota Motor Corporation
Products: Various MY 2005 - 2010 Toyota vehicles and MY 2009 – 2010 Pontiac Vibes
Population: 5,400,000

Problem Description: Unintended and uncontrolled acceleration due to a sticking or stuck accelerator pedal.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:			
Crashes/Fires:			
Injury Incidents:			
# Injuries:			
Fatality Incidents:			
# Fatalities:			
Other*:			

*Description of Other:

Action: Open Timeliness Query (TQ).

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SUMMARY: On January 21, 2010, Toyota filed a Defect Information Report and notified NHTSA that certain Toyota and Pontiac Vibe vehicles contained a safety defect in the accelerator pedal assembly that may cause the accelerator pedal to become harder to depress, slower to return, or in the worst case, mechanically stuck in a partially depressed position. NHTSA designated the recall concerning the Toyota vehicles 10V017, and the recall of the Pontiac Vibe vehicles, which NHTSA understands to be a product of New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc. which had been a venture between Toyota and General Motors Corporation, 10V-018.

Upon further review of the defect information report and the recall, NHTSA requires additional information from Toyota to more fully understand and evaluate, among other things, when and what Toyota learned of sticking accelerator pedals installed on its vehicles, the chronology of events leading up to Toyota's defect decision, Toyota's responses to problems with sticking accelerator pedals (both in the United States and abroad) and the timing of those responses, and the timeliness of Toyota's submission of its Part 573 report.

