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> Nissan Motor CO. LTD 2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan

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SECTION 1

PURPOSE AND TEST PROCEDURE

This rear impact test is part of the FMVSS 301R Compliance Test Program sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) under Contract No. DTNH22-11-D-00243. The purpose of this test was to determine if the subject vehicle, a 2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan, meets the performance requirements of FMVSS No. 301R "Fuel System Integrity – Rear Impact." The test was conducted in accordance with the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance's Laboratory Test Procedure (TP-301R-02, dated January 17, 2007).

SECTION 2

COMPLIANCE TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

A 1634.5 kg 2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan was impacted from the rear by a 1357.0 kg moving barrier at a velocity of 79.16 kph (49.19 mph). The test was performed by Calspan Corporation on 5/9/2013.

The test vehicle was equipped with a 68.0 liter fuel tank which was filled to 93 percent capacity with stoddard fluid prior to impact. Additional ballast (56.8kg) was secured in the vehicle cargo area. Two ballast Part 572E 50th percentile male Anthropomorphic Test Devices (ATD) were placed in the front occupant seating positions.

The crash event was recorded by three high-speed cameras and one real-time camera. High-speed camera locations and other pertinent camera information are found on page 3-7 of this report. Preand post-test photographs of the vehicle can be found in Appendix A.

There was no fuel system fluid spillage following the impact and including all portions of the static rollover test. The maximum vehicle longitudinal crush was 679 millimeters of which the average was 539 millimeters. The vehicle appeared to comply with all the requirements of FMVSS No. 301 "Fuel System Integrity."

SECTION 3

SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS

This section contains information reporting for the following Data Sheets:

- Data Sheet No. 1 Test Vehicle Specifications
- Data Sheet No. 2 Pre-Test Data
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DATA SHEET NO. 1 TEST VEHICLE SPECIFICATIONS

Test Vehicle:	2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan	NHTSA No.:	C20135203
Test Program:	FMVSS 301R Compliance Rear Impact Test	Test Date:	5/9/2013

TEST VEHICLE INFORMATION AND OPTIONS

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C20135203		Overdr
2013		Air Co
Nissan		All-Wh
Altima		Anti-Lo
Four Door Sedan		Autom
Light gray/silver		Power
137 / 85		Power
2.5		Power
14		Power
Transverse		Stabilit
Automatic		Sunroo
Continuously VT		Tilt Ste
Front Wheel Drive		Tractic
	2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan Light gray/silver 137 / 85 2.5 14 Transverse Automatic Continuously VT	2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan Light gray/silver 137 / 85 2.5 14 Transverse Automatic Continuously VT

Overdrive	Yes
Air Conditioning (AC)	Yes
All-Wheel Drive (AWD)	No
Anti-Lock Brakes (ABS)	Yes
Automatic Door Locks (ADL)	Yes
Power Brakes	Yes
Power Seats	No
Power Steering	Yes
Power Windows	Yes
Stability Control (Auto-Leveling)	No
Sunroof/T-Top	No
Tilt Steering Wheel	Yes
Traction Control System (TCS)	Yes

DEALER AND DELIVERY INFORMATION FROM CERTIFICATION LABEL

Manufactured By	Nissan Motor CO. LTD	GVWR (kg)	1910
Date of Manufacture	08/12	GAWR Front (kg)	1005
VIN	1N4AL3AP5DN427231	GAWR Rear (kg)	940

TIRE PLACARD & SIDEWALL INFORMATION

Tire Placard Location:Driver's Door SillSpare Tire Type:Driver's Door Sill

Measured Parameter	Front	Rear
Tire Manufacturer	Michelin	Michelin
Tire Name	Primacy MXV4	Primacy MXV4
Tire Type	All-Season	All-Season
Max. Tire Pressure (kPa)	300	300
Recommended Tire Size	P215/60R16	P215/60R16
Load Index/Speed Symbol	94T	94T
Recommended Cold Tire Pressure (kPa)	220	220
Tire Size on Vehicle	P215/60R16	P215/60R16
Treadwear/ Traction Grade/ Temperature Grade	500/A/A	500/A/A

VEHICLE CAPACITY DATA

Measured Parameter	Front	Rear	Third	Total
Designated Seating Capacity (DSC)	2	3	0	5
Seat Type (Bench, Bucket, or Split Bench)	Bucket	Bench		
Capacity Weight (VCW) (kg)				408.00
DSC X 68.04 (kg)				340.20
Cargo Weight (RCLW) (kg)				67.80

DATA SHEET NO. 2 PRE-TEST DATA

Test Vehicle:	2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan	NHTSA No.:	C20135203
Test Program:	FMVSS 301R Compliance Rear Impact Test	Test Date:	5/9/2013

TEST VEHICLE WEIGHTS

	Unito	Units As Delivered (UVW)		As Tested (ATW)			
	Units	Front	Rear	Total	Front	Rear	Total
Left	kg	435.5	285.5		479.0	354.0	
Right	kg	417.5	281.5		471.5	330.0	
Ratio	%	60.1	39.9		58.2	41.8	
Totals	kg	853.0	567.0	1,420.0	950.5	684.0	1,634.5

TARGET TEST WEIGHT CALCULATION (TTW)

Measured Parameter	Units	Value	
Total Unloaded Vehicle Weight (UVW)	kg	1,420.0	(A
Rated Cargo/Luggage Weight (RCLW)	kg	67.8	(B
Weight of two P572E ATDS @ 78kg each	kg	156.0	(C
Target Vehicle Test Weight (TVTW)	kg	1,643.8	(A+B

*As tested Weight = (TTW -10kg) <=ATW < (TTW -5kg); TTW = Weight of Test Vehicle with 2 dummies and 67.8kg of Cargo Weight

GENERAL TEST VEHICLE DATA

Measured Parameter	Units	Value
Vehicle Wheelbase	mm	2771
Vehicle Length (at Centerline)	mm	4860
Vehicle Width	mm	1834
Weight of Ballast Secured in Cargo Area ¹	kg	56.8
Type of Ballast		Lead Shot
Method of Securing Ballast		Secured in rear passenger foot well
Components Removed for Weight Reduction		None
Vehicle Width at Widest Point	mm	1837
Vehicle Width at Widest Point Location	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Rear wheel well
Centerline offset for impact line	mm	367.4
Filler neck side (left/right)		Left

¹ Ballast weight does not include the weight of instrumentation, on-board cameras and data acquisition system

TEST VEHICLE ATTITUDE AND CG

	Units	Le	eft	Rig	ght	CG
	Units	Front	Rear	Front	Rear	(aft of front axle)
As Delivered (UVW)	mm	705	715	709	721	1106
As Tested (ATW)	mm	695	707	702	712	1160

DATA SHEET NO. 2 (Continued) PRE-TEST DATA

Test Vehicle:	2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan	NHTSA No.:	C20135203
Test Program:	FMVSS 301R Compliance Rear Impact Test	Test Date:	5/9/2013

SEATING

Nominal Design Riding Position (for adjustable driver and passenger seat backs). *Please describe* how to position the inclinometer to measure the seat back angle. Include description of the location of the adjustment latch detent, if applicable.

<u>Driver Seat Instructions</u>: The driver seat back was positioned according to the Nominal Design Riding position listed in FORM 1.

<u>Passenger Seat Instructions:</u> The passenger seat back was positioned to the Nominal Design Riding position listed in FORM 1.

Measured Parameter	Deg.
Driver Seat Back Angle	0.2
Passenger Seat Back Angle	0.5

SEAT FORE/AFT POSITIONING

Driver Seat:Was positioned according to the Nominal Design Riding position listed in FORM1.Passenger Seat:Was positioned according to the Nominal Design Riding position listed in FORM1.

	Total # of Positions	Placed in Position #
Driver Seat	25	12
Passenger Seat	25	12

according to the Norminal Design

Vapor Volume Usable Capacity Unusable Capacity

VEHICLE FUEL TANK ASSEMBLY

Measured Parameter	Reference	Liters
Fuel System Capacity (Standard Tank)	Owner's Manual	68.1
COTR Usable Capacity (Standard Tank)	Form No. 1	68.0
Test Volume Range	91-94% of Usable Capacity	61.9 - 63.9
Actual Test Volume (Solvent Used)	93% of Usable Capacity	63.2

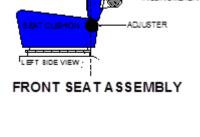
FUEL TANK CAPACITY DATA

FUEL SYSTEM DATA

Measured Parameter	Value
Test Fluid Type	Stoddard Solvent
Test Fluid Specific Gravity	0.764
Test Fluid Kinematic Viscosity (centistokes)	0.96
Test Fluid Color	Purple
Electric Fuel Pump?	Yes
Can Activate Electric Fuel Pump with Ignition Switch On but Engine Off?	No

Fuel Pump Comments : None

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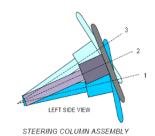
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Test Vehicle:2013 Nissan Altima Four Door SedanTest Program:FMVSS 301R Compliance Rear Impact Test

NHTSA No.: Test Date: C20135203 5/9/2013

STEERING COLUMN ADJUSTMENT

Steering wheel and column adjustments are made so that the steering wheel hub is at the center of its geometric locus it describes when it moves through its full range of motion.



Operational Instructions: Telescope and tilt wheel were set to mid-range (30mm and 24.3 degrees)

SEAT BELT UPPER ANCHORAGE

Nominal design riding position

Operational Instructions: Anchorages were set to the most upright position

COMMENTS: None

DATA SHEET NO. 3 **MOVING DEFORMABLE BARRIER (MDB) DATA**

Test Vehicle:		ssan Altima Four Door Sedan	_ NHTSA No.:	C20135203
Test Program:		301R Compliance Rear Impact Test	_ Test Date:	5/9/2013
MDB Face Manu	facturer:	Plascore	MDB Face Serial No.	A1012030

MDB SPECIFICATIONS

Measurement Description	Length (mm)
Overall Width of Framework Carriage	1250
Overall Length of MDB (incl. honeycomb impactor face)	4120
Wheelbase of Framework Carriage	2591
Tread of Framework Carriage (Front & Rear)	1880
CG Location of Front Axle	1136

MDB WEIGHTS

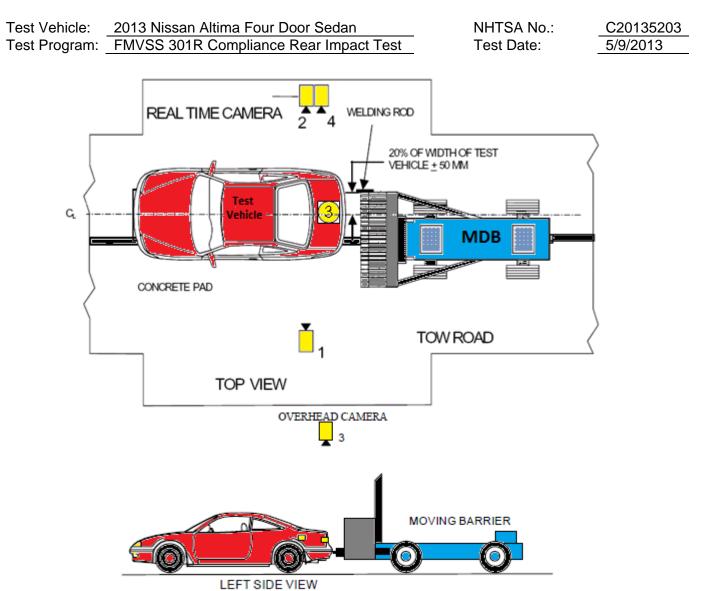
	Units	Front	Rear	Total
Left	kg	358.0	322.0	680.0
Right	kg	404.0	273.0	677.0
Ratio	%	56.2%	43.8%	100.0%
Totals	kg	762.0	595.0	1357.0

MDB TIRE SIZE & PRESSURES

	Units	Requirement	Left Front	Right Front	Left Rear	Right Rear
Tire Size		P205/75R15	P205/75R15	P205/75R15	P205/75R15	P205/75R15
Tire Pressure	kPa	200 ± 21	207	207	207	207

Brake Abort System? (Yes/No): Yes Date of Last MDB Calibration: May 15th, 2010

DATA SHEET NO. 4 HIGH SPEED CAMERA LOCATIONS AND DATA SUMMARY



		Coordinates (mm)			Angle	Lens	Film
No.	Camera View	X *	Y *	Z*	(Deg)	(mm)	Speed (fps)
1	Left Side View	1721	-9576	1291	2.2	24	1000
2	Real-Time Camera						30
3	Overhead View	408	0	5331	90.0	20	1000
4	Right Side View	1667	8940	1016	3.1	24	1000

* Reference (from point of impact); all measurements accurate to within ±6 mm.

- X = (Impact Point) + Forward
- Y = (Impact Point) + To Right
- Z = (Ground Level) + Down

DATA SHEET NO. 5 POST-TEST DATA

Test Vehicle:	2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan	NHTSA No.:	C20135203
Test Program:	FMVSS 301R Compliance Rear Impact Test	Test Date:	5/9/2013

VIN: <u>1N4AL3AP5DN427231</u>

REQUIRED IMPACT VELOCITY RANGE: <u>78.5 to 80.1 km/h</u>

ACTUAL IMPACT VELOCITY (WITHIN 1.5 M OF IMPACT PLANE)

Measurement Description	Units	Speed
Trap No. 1	km/h	79.16
Trap No. 2	km/h	79.20
Average Impact Speed	km/h	79.18

WELDING ROD IMPACT POINT

Measurement Description	Tolerance	Units	Value
Vertical distance from target center (+ is above)	±40 mm	mm	-1
Horizontal distance from target center (+ is right)	±50 mm	mm	-6

STODDARD SOLVENT SPILLAGE MEASUREMENT:

A.	From impact until vehicle motion ceases: (Maximum allowable is 28 grams)	0	grams
B.	For the 5-minute period after motion ceases: (Maximum allowable is 28 grams)	0	grams
C.	For the next 25 minutes: (Maximum allowable is 28 grams/minute)	0	grams
D.	Spillage Details:	No Spillage Occurred	

DATA SHEET NO. 5 POST-TEST DATA (Continued)

Test Vehicle:	2013 Nissan Altima Four Door Sedan	NHTSA No.:	C20135203
Test Program:	FMVSS 301R Compliance Rear Impact Test	Test Date:	5/9/2013

DOOR OPENING AND SEAT TRACK INFORMATION

Description	Driver	Passenger
Locked/Unlocked Doors	Unlocked	Unlocked
Front Door Opening	Closed & Operational	Closed & Operational
Rear Door Opening	Closed & Operational	Closed & Operational
Seat Track Shift (mm)	0	0
Seat Back Failure	Reclined	Reclined and twisted
Glazing Damage	None	None

POST TEST STRUCTURAL OBSERVATIONS

Critical Areas of Performance	Observations and Conclusions
Windshield Damage	None
Window Damage	None
Other Notable Effects	Rear Windshield shattered during impact event

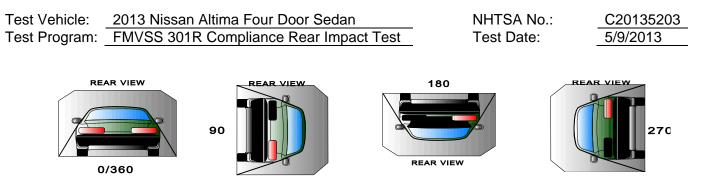
VEHICLE CRUSH MEASUREMENTS: LENGTH

Measurement	Left Side	Centerline	Right Side
Pre-Test	4741	4861	4742
Post-Test	4062	4270	4394
Crush	-679	-591	-348

VEHICLE CRUSH MEASUREMENTS: WHEELBASE

Measurement	Left Side	Centerline	Right Side
Pre-Test	2772		2770
Post-Test	2632		2798
Crush	-140		28

DATA SHEET NO. 6 FMVSS NO. 301 STATIC ROLLOVER TEST DATA



Rear View

ROLLOVER SOLVENT COLLECTION TIME TABLE

Test Phase	Rotation Time (spec. 1 -3 min)Hold TimeTotal Time		Time	Next Whole Minute Interval		
	Minutes	Seconds	Minutes	Minutes	Seconds	Minutes
0° to 90°	1	11	5	6	11	7
90° to 180°	1	5	5	6	5	7
180° to 270°	1	0	5	6	0	6
270° to 360°	1	8	5	6	8	7

FMVSS 301 REQUIREMENTS TABLE (Maximum allowable solvent spillage)

First 5 Minutes	6th Minute	7th Minute	8th Minute
(grams)	(grams)	(grams)	(grams)
142	28	28	28

ACTUAL TEST VEHICLE STODDARD SOLVENT SPILLAGE TABLE

Test Phase	First 5 Minutes (grams)	6th Minute (grams)	7th Minute (grams)	8th Minute (grams)
0° to 90°	0	0	0	
90° to 180°	0	0	0	
180° to 270°	0	0	0	
270° to 360°	0	0	0	

ROLLOVER STODDARD SOLVENT SPILLAGE LOCATION TABLE

Test Phase	Spillage Location		
0° to 90°	None		
90° to 180°	None		
180° to 270°	None		
270° to 360°	None		

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Figure A-1: Vehicle Certification Placard



Figure A-2: Vehicle Tire Placard



Figure A-3: Pre-Test Front View



Figure A-4: Post-Test Front View



Figure A-5: Pre-Test Left Side View



Figure A-6: Post-Test Left Side View



Figure A-7: Pre-Test Right Side View



Figure A-8: Post-Test Right Side View



Figure A-9: Pre-Test Left Front 3/4 View



Figure A-10: Post-Test Left Front 3/4 View



Figure A-11: Pre-Test Right Front 3/4 View



Figure A-12: Post-Test Right Front 3/4 View



Figure A-13: Pre-Test Left Rear 3/4 View



Figure A-14: Post-Test Left Rear 3/4 View



Figure A-15: Pre-Test Right Rear 3/4 View

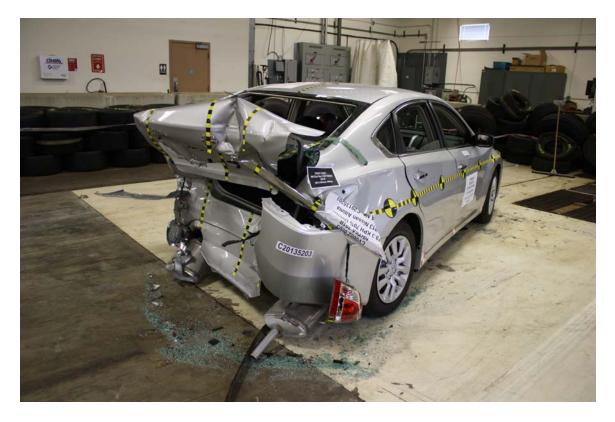


Figure A-16: Post-Test Right Rear 3/4 View



Figure A-17: Pre-Test Rear View



Figure A-18: Post-Test Rear View



Figure A-19: Pre-Test MDB Front View



Figure A-20: Post-Test MDB Front View



Figure A-21: Pre-Test MDB Left Side View



Figure A-22: Post-Test MDB Left Side View



Figure A-23: Pre-Test MDB Right Side View



Figure A-24: Post-Test MDB Right Side View



Figure A-25: Pre-Test MDB Top View

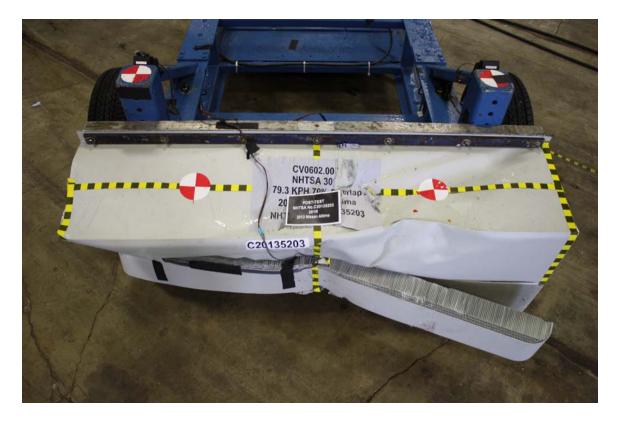


Figure A-26: Post-Test MDB Top View



Figure A-27: Pre-Test Overhead Vehicle and MDB View



Figure A-28: Post-Test Impact Target View



Figure A-29: Pre-Test Front Underbody View

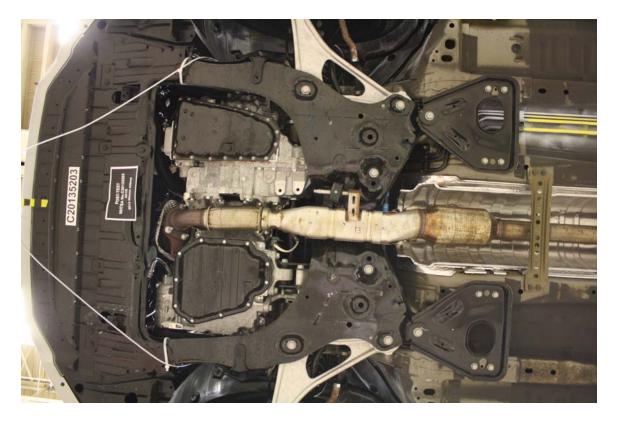


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Figure A-32: Post-Test Mid Underbody View



Figure A-33:Pre-Test Rear Underbody View



Figure A-34: Post-Test Rear Underbody View



Figure A-35: Pre-Test Fuel Filler Cap View



Figure A-36: Post-Test Fuel Filler Cap View



Figure A-37: Impact View



Figure A-38: Speed Trap View



Figure A-39: Rollover 90° View



Figure A-40: Rollover 180° View

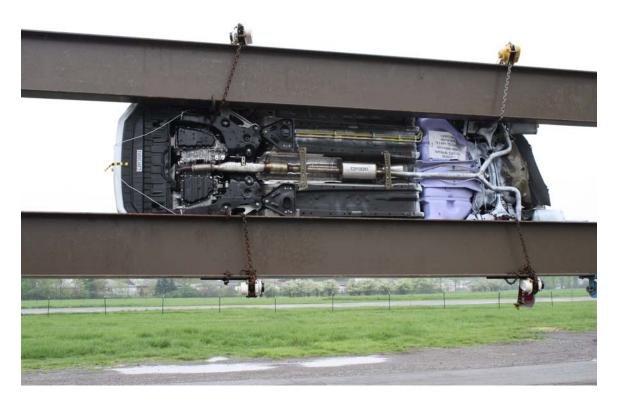


Figure A-41: Rollover 270° View



Figure A-42: Rollover 360° View