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Dear Ms. DeMeter:

Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. (MMNA) submits this letter pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 579.12 – Foreign Recalls. Mitsubishi Motors Corporation (MMC) has advised us that certain 2007-2010 Lancer Evolution vehicles manufactured and distributed in Japan are subject to a safety recall campaign involving the clutch master cylinder. The clip securing the oil pressure pipe to the clutch master cylinder is insufficient and may become damaged due to oil pressure during clutch operation. Due to this condition, the oil pressure pipe may come off and create an oil leak, so that the driver cannot operate the clutch. To correct this condition, a stronger clip will be installed at the oil pressure pipe.

The Lancer Evolution vehicles imported into the United States by MMNA and into Puerto Rico by Mitsubishi Motor Sales Caribbean (MMSC), are substantially similar to the vehicles involved in the above mentioned recall campaign in Japanese market. However the vehicles for US and Puerto Rico are left-hand drive and have nothing to do with the recall for right-hand drive vehicles in Japanese market since the clutch piping layout differs from those for right-hand drive vehicles and the generated stress to the clip is much smaller.

- 1. The manufacturer's name:** Mitsubishi Motors Corporation
- 2. Identification of the vehicles:** 2007 ~ 2010 Lancer Evolution (CBA-CZ4A)
- 3. Number of vehicles involved:** Lancer Evolution 2,407



4. **Defect description:** The clip securing the oil pressure pipe to the clutch master cylinder is insufficient and may become damaged due to oil pressure during clutch operation. Due to this condition, the oil pressure pipe may come off and create an oil leak, so that the driver cannot operate the clutch.
5. **Foreign countries where recall will be launched:** Japan
6. **Safety recall or other safety campaign:** Safety Recall
7. **Recall determination government or manufacturer:** Manufacturer
8. **Remedy:** The affected vehicles will have a new, improved clip installed at the oil pressure pipe.
9. **Date recall started or will start:** April 9, 2010
10. **Number of affected vehicles sold in the USA or Territories:** None

Should you have any questions on this memo or the attached document, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Bennett', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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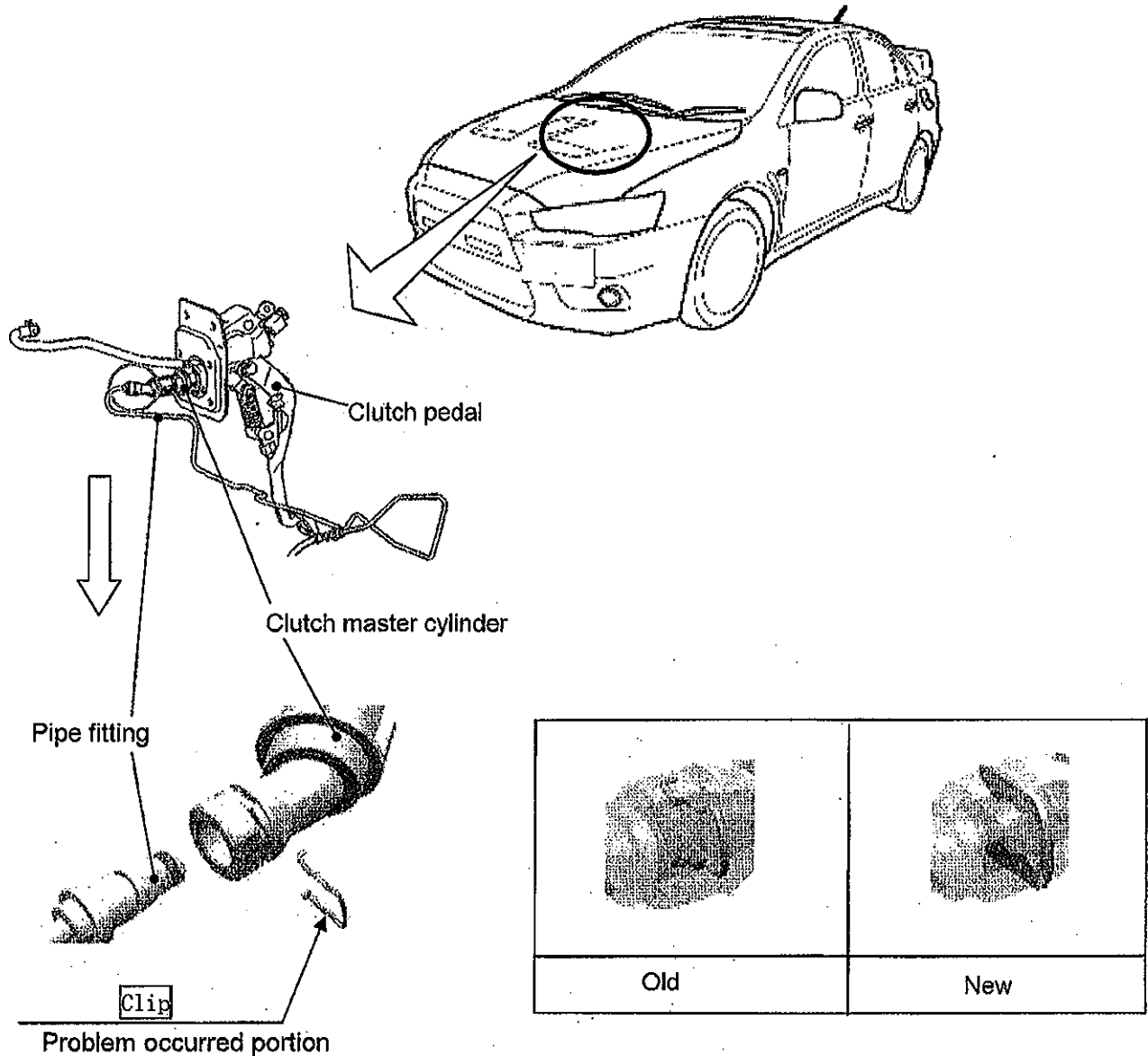
VEHICLE SAFETY/POLLUTION RECALL CAMPAIGN IN JAPAN

Domestic Vehicles

CAMPAIGN No.	2499	DATE	April 8, 2010
MANUFACTURER	MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORPORATION		
DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT	SINCE THE STRENGTH OF THE CLIP AFFIXING THE OIL PRESSURE PIPE TO THE CLUTCH MASTER CYLINDER IS INSUFFICIENT, THE SUBJECT CLIP MAY GET DAMAGED DUE TO THE OIL PRESSURE IN THE CLUTCH OPERATION. DUE TO THIS CONDITION, THE SUBJECT PIPE MAY COME OFF RESULTING IN OIL LEAK SO THAT DRIVER CAN NOT OPERATE THE CLUTCH.		

TYPE	COMMERCIAL NAME	MODEL YEAR RECALLED	NUMBER OF VEHICLE
CBA-CZ4A	LANCER EVOLUTION	2007 TO 2010	2,407
		TOTAL	2,407

Detail of Modification



(Since the strength of the clip affixing the oil pressure pipe to the clutch master cylinder is insufficient, the subject clip may get damaged due to the oil pressure in the clutch operation. Due to this condition, the subject pipe may come off resulting in oil leak so that driver can not operate the clutch.)

Description of Improvement

Replace clip with countermeasure one

Note: In the above drawing, the part in the frame is the replaced one.

Identification: Apply paint mark (white or yellow) on the pipe fitting for clutch (near Clutch master cylinder).