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**ISUZU**  
DET-11-112

Mr. Claude Harris  
Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Attention: Early Warning Division (NVS-217)  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Foreign Recall Information Report  
Seat Belt manufactured by ISRI  
Isuzu 2007-2011MY F-Series Commercial Vehicles

Dear Mr. Harris:

On behalf of Isuzu Motors Limited ("IML"), pursuant to 49 CFR §579.12, Isuzu Manufacturing Services of America, Inc. (collectively "Isuzu") hereby submits a Foreign Recall Information Report concerning the foreign safety recall campaign of certain 2007-2011MY Isuzu F-Series commercial vehicles sold in Asia, Oceania, Europe and Africa (hereinafter, the "subject vehicles" or the "affected vehicles").

573.6 (c) (1)

Manufacturer: Isuzu Motors Limited  
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Subject component: SEAT ASM; DRIVER  
Part Number: 8980642163, 8980642123, 8980642143, 8980642173,  
8980652353 and 8980652353

Country of Origin  
of the component: Germany

573.6 (c) (2):

The subject vehicles sold in Asia, Oceania, Europe and Africa are substantially similar (as "substantially similar" is defined in 49 CFR Section 579.4) to certain Isuzu F-Series and Chevrolet/GMC T-Series vehicles sold in the United States. As set forth in more detail below, IML determined that vehicles with the subject defect were not sold in the U.S. Nonetheless, in an abundance of caution and in recognition of the goals of the NHTSA reporting requirements, Isuzu is filing this report to ensure that the Agency is aware of this recall.

573.6 (c) (3)

Please see Attachment 1.

573.6 (c) (5):

Summary:

The seat belt which is integrated into a seat assembly manufactured by the supplier (ISRI) may not retract due to interference between the seat belt and other internal parts of seat assembly.

Detailed description:

Due to insufficient clearance between the driver side seat belt pretensioner circuit connector and seat cushion, the seat cushion may interfere with both connector and seat belt when the seat cushion has permanent deformation from use. This interference may create increased friction on the seat belt retractor leading to the seat belt not being able to retract.

The "substantially similar" vehicles sold in the U.S. are equipped with a seat assembly that is not manufactured by ISRI and is an entirely different design than the seats involved in the subject foreign recall. As a result, the U.S. vehicles are not similarly susceptible to the problem that led to the recall that is the subject of this report.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 734-582-9262 or Scott Crafard of my staff at 734-582-9250.

Sincerely,



Jeffery A. Marsee  
Chief Representative  
Emissions and Safety  
Isuzu Manufacturing Services of America, Inc

Enclosure

Attachment 1  
§573.6(c) (3) and 579.12

| Country                             | Model Series | Model Year <sup>1</sup> | Number Involved         | Inclusive Manufacturing Dates |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Asia, Oceania,<br>Europe and Africa | F-Series     | 2007-2011               | Approx.<br>12,600 units | September 2007 ~ April 2011   |

| Safety Recall or<br>Safety<br>Campaign | Determination<br>made by | Date of<br>Determination | Date the<br>Campaign<br>Commenced | Description of Program                                                                                                                         | Substantially similar <sup>2</sup><br>vehicles produced during<br>the same period as the<br>affected vehicles |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Safety Recall                          | Manufacturer             | July 27,<br>2011         | August<br>2011                    | For all subject vehicles, the seat cushion and backrest cover will be cut out and the seat slide stoppers will be replaced with modified ones. | Isuzu F-Series<br>Chevrolet/GMC T-Series                                                                      |

<sup>1</sup> Model years can last for multiple calendar years. Manufacture year is reported as MY in this report.

<sup>2</sup> The vehicles are “substantially similarly” insofar as that term is defined in 49 CFR Section 579.4.