

April 24, 2012

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DET-12-058

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
Engine Control Module (ECM) Relay
2010 - 2012MY Isuzu N-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 recall campaign of certain 2010 - 2012MY Isuzu N-Series commercial vehicles sold in European countries (hereinafter, the "subject vehicles" or the "affected vehicles").

573.6 (c)(1)
Manufacturer: Isuzu Motors Limited
6-26-1, Minami-oi, Shinagawa-ku,
Tokyo, 140-8722, Japan

Assembler: V.N. Automoveis LDA.
Estrada Nacional no 4 - Km 60,
7080-303 Vendas Novas, Portugal
Phone: +351-265807300

Subject component: ECM Relay

Country of Origin
of the component: Japan

573.6 (c)(2):
The subject vehicles sold in the European countries listed in Attachment 1 are substantially similar (as "substantially similar" is defined in 49 CFR Section 579.4) to certain Isuzu N-Series and Chevrolet/GMC W-Series vehicles sold in the United States. As set forth in more detail below, IML was able to determine 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 safety recall.

573.6 (c)(3)
Please see Attachment 1.

573.6 (c)(5):

Summary:

Vehicles manufactured at the assembly plant in Portugal may have had the ECM main relay and starter relay installed incorrectly inside the relay box. As a result, the ECM main relay may short circuit during vehicle operation, resulting in a loss of power, which will cause the engine to stop.

Detailed description:

Isuzu has tracked the cause of the affected vehicles to a certain station on the assembly line in Portugal. During the inclusive manufacturing dates the affected vehicles were built, an assembly worker at that station may have improperly installed the ECM main relay and starter relay.

The "substantially similar" vehicles sold in the U.S. are not assembled in the assembly plant in Portugal. As a result, the U.S. vehicles are not similarly susceptible to the problem that led to the safety 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,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jeffery A. Marsee", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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 ¹	Number Involved	Inclusive Manufacturing Dates
UK and Portugal	Isuzu N-Series	2010 – 2012	57 units	September 2010 ~ January 2012

Safety Recall or Safety Campaign	Determination made by	Date of Determination	Date the Campaign Commenced	Description of Program	Substantially similar ² vehicles produced during the same period as the affected vehicles
Safety Recall	Manufacturer	April 17, 2012	April 2012	The ECM main relay, starter relay and glow plug relay inside the relay box will be inspected and any improperly installed relay will be replaced with new one.	Isuzu N-Series Chevrolet/GMC W-Series

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

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