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Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attention: Early Warning Division (NVS-217)
Room 217
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Associate Administrator:

We are transmitting the enclosed Report of a Defect in a Vehicle in a Foreign Country.

Very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derek Latta".

Derek Latta
Manager
Technical Compliance

Encl.

**REPORT OF A SAFETY RECALL OR OTHER SAFETY CAMPAIGN
IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY**

1. Manufacturer

Nissan North America Inc.

2. Vehicles Potentially Involved

Nissan Altima vehicles produced at the Nissan North America Inc. Smyrna, Tennessee plant between July 27, 2012 and December 14, 2013.

3. Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved

Approximately 2,598 vehicles

4. Description of the Defect

Some of the affected vehicles within the subject production range may have been equipped with an out-of-specification drive plate within the torque converter. More specifically, due to an abnormal tempering process during the formation of the drive plate, micro cracks may form and cause it to fracture, allowing debris to become jammed in the torque converter. This condition does not affect the vehicle while driving. However, this issue can cause the engine to stall when shifting into "Drive" or "Reverse" from a "Park" position due to failure of the torque converter. A vehicle stall condition may also occur while idling at a stop.

Nissan does not believe that this issue represents an unreasonable risk to safety as it can only occur when the vehicle is stopped. However, at the request of local authorities, Nissan is conducting a voluntary recall campaign to address the subject vehicles in the South Korea market.

5. Foreign Country in Which the Safety Recall or Other Safety Campaign is Being Conducted

Korea

6. Date of Determination

May 9, 2018

7. Determination Made By

Manufacturer

8. Date the Recall or Other Campaign will Commence

July 2, 2018

9. Description of Corrective Action

Owners of potentially affected vehicles will be notified to take their vehicle to a dealer where the torque converter will be replaced.

10. Vehicles in the United States (If Known)

Model Year 2013-2014 Nissan Altima vehicles produced from July 27, 2012 to December 14, 2013 sold in the U.S. are equipped with the same subject component. Nissan does not believe that this issue represents an unreasonable risk to safety as it can only occur when the vehicle is stopped. The incident rate and anticipated number of future incidents in the U.S. are low, and Nissan believes the subject issue is adequately addressed through the existing 60 months / 60,000-mile powertrain warranty.

Additional vehicles listed below sold in the U.S. are on a similar "platform" as the subject vehicle but are not equipped with the subject component manufactured during the subject production period.

- MY 2007-2012 Nissan Altima vehicles
- MY 2007-2013 Nissan Altima Coupe vehicles
- MY 2009-2018 Nissan Maxima vehicles
- MY 2013-2018 Nissan Pathfinder vehicles
- MY 2011-2017 Nissan Quest vehicles
- MY 2008-2018 Nissan Murano vehicles
- MY 2011-2017 Nissan Murano Cross-cabriolet vehicles
- MY 2013 Infiniti JX vehicles
- MY 2014-2018 Infiniti QX60 vehicles