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Office of Defects Investigation
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington D.C. 20590

Subject: Investigation of Allegations About Nissan Wheel Defects - PE06-050

Dear Sir:

We are pleased to cooperate with you in the investigation of the allegations of wheel separation due to fractures in model year 2005 through 2007 Nissan 350Z vehicles. I know that I speak for every franchised dealer when I say we are very concerned about the safety of our customers and employees who drive the vehicles we sell.

Since being notified of the failure of the Nissan of Thousand Oaks dealer traded vehicle, we have offered free inspection to every customer who has purchased, leased or serviced his or her vehicle at Raceway Nissan. To date we have inspected over seventy 350Z vehicles and found only one failure. The failed wheel was an OEM alloy wheel.

We have also made an informal survey of local Nissan dealers and wheel suppliers, which is attached as Exhibit G. This survey would indicate that fractures are not unique to OE chrome or aftermarket chrome wheels. The dealers we spoke to indicated that nearly as many OEM alloy wheels have experienced failures as chrome wheels.

We hope we have answered your inquiries clearly and completely but if not please feel free to contact me at anytime and we will assist you any way we can.

Sincerely,

Tom Owings
Owner