



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE07-039
Date Opened: 07/24/2007
Principal Investigator: Lawrence Hershman
Subject: Suzuki Forenza Headlight Failure

Manufacturer: American Suzuki Motor Corp.
Products: 2005 Suzuki Forenza
Population: 35,000 (Estimated)

Problem Description: Complaints allege loss of proper headlight function and burning of the wire supplying power to headlights.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	4		
Crashes/Fires:	0		
Injury Incidents:	0		
# Injuries:	0		
Fatality Incidents:	0		
# Fatalities:	0		
Other*:	0		

*Description of Other:

Action: Open a Preliminary Evaluation.

Engineer: Lawrence L. Hershman *LH* Date: 07/24/2007
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Summary: The agency has received four complaints of compromised headlight function. Some report failure of a wiring harness located behind the instrument cluster.

Suzuki issued a TSB for 2004-2005 Forenzas for factory damaged wire insulation in wire harness behind left front fender. Damage could allow condensation to corrode wires and cause a short that could affect headlights.

A Preliminary Evaluation has been opened.