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Ref: 03V-477

Dear Mr. Person:

The enclosed communication is being provided pursuant to 49 CFR Part 573.6(c)(9).

Technical Compliance Department

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Nissan Net Broadcast Message - Wednesday Evening, December 10, 2003

Subject: Sentra ECM Case Holder Foam Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign

Attention - Dealer Principals, Sales, Parts and Service Managers

Today, December 10, 2003, Nissan announced the Nissan Sentra ECM Case Holder Foam Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign. Approximately 275,000 model year 2000 - 2003 Sentra vehicles are affected by this campaign.

******* Condition/Nissan Action *******

Nissan has determined that some 2000-2003 model year Nissan Sentra vehicles may have a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety. The engine might stop running while being driven due to contamination of the Engine Control Module (ECM) by the inner lining material of the ECM case. This may also result in the "Service Engine Soon" light coming on or poor driveability. If the engine stops running while driving, this could result in a crash without warning.

To correct this condition, at no charge to the customer, Nissan will remove the inside lining material from the ECM case.

******* Dealer Responsibility *******

It is the retailer's responsibility to check Service Comm for the campaign status on each vehicle falling within the range of this Voluntary Safety Recall (P3163), which for any reason enters the service department. This includes vehicles purchased from private parties or presented by transient (tourist) owners and vehicles in a dealer's inventory. Federal law requires that new vehicles in dealer inventory, which are the subject of a safety recall, must be corrected prior to sale. Failure to do so can result in civil penalties by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. While federal law applies only to new vehicles, Nissan strongly encourages dealers to correct any used vehicles in their inventory before they are retailed.

******* Owner Notification *******

Nissan plans to begin notifying owners of potentially affected vehicles on December 22, 2003, requesting them to bring their vehicle to a Nissan dealer. In addition to direct customer contact (via mail), Nissan will post recall information on the www.nissanusa.com Web site.

******* Technical Procedures *******

Recall Campaign Bulletin NTB03-112 Sentra ECM Case Holder Foam Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign is immediately available via ASIST Dial Update and also on NNA.net.com under My Documents in the Service/Campaign folder. The bulletin addresses the specific repair procedures and related campaign claim information.

******* Customer Focus *******

Your continued support of the safety and customer satisfaction of Nissan Sentra owners is appreciated.

Nissan Parts and Service Operations
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