

Volvo Cars of North America, LLC

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041-504

Mr. Kenneth N. Weinstein, Esq. Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NSA-01) 400 Seventh Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: DEPECT INFORMATION REPORT

Dear Mr. Weinstein:

Extension of the previous Volvo recall number 94, concerning the Master Light Switch. Pursuant to Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Volvo Cars of North America, LLC (Volvo) submits the following information concerning a safety recall program. Based upon the available data, Volvo deeply believes that the reported condition does not pose an unreasonable risk to motor vehicle safety. In order to avoid a protracted discussion with the Agency, Volvo has decided to extend the recall up to the production dates when the new improved design was introduced.

1. Vehicle Manufacturer. Volvo Car Corporation Gothenburg, Sweden

> Designated Agent Volvo Cars of North America, LLC Rockleigh, N.J. 07647

2. Identification of Vehicles involved The vehicles involved in this recall are certain MY1998 - 2000 S70/V70/V70XC and C70 Volvo Vehicles.

Made	ci Year Model	Chassis # Start	Chassis # End	Production Date Start	Production Date E	<u>nd</u> Assypi
(Year/Month/Day)						
872	MY1998 - 2000	0002678	0020535	980211	000111	Uddevalla
873	MY1998 - 2000	0000162	0011347	980319	000111	Uddevalla
874	MY1998 - 2000	0519898	0609561	980212	990223	Torsjande
874	MY 1998 ~ 2000	0520734	0626961	970606	990608	Belgium
874	MY1998 ~ 2000	0520876	0574409	980309	981210	Halifaz
875	MY1998 - 2000	0480165	0640100	970605	990608	Belgium
875	MY1998 - 2000	0480203	0550912	980130	981204	Halifax
876	MY1998 ~ 2000	0480165	0640100	970605	990608	Belgium

The recalled model population represents 100% of the affected population within the US assembled between the dates provided in the chart above.

- Number of Vehicles Potentially Affected.
 Approximately 97000 vehicles in the US may be affected by this recall, where of approximately 50% has already been repaired.
- Estimated percentage of Vahicles with the Defect. 100%
- 5. Description of the Defect.

Volvo discovered that in certain MY1998 - 2000 \$70/V70XC and C70 Volvo Vehicles, the Master Light Switch may cease to function. In such case the head lights may not operate properly which may result in intermittent headlight function or no head light function.

Affected Volvo vehicles built during the time period provided in number 2 above "Identification of Vehicles involved" will be recalled and the corrective action will consist of inspecting the version of, and if necessary replacing the Master Light Switch.

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Chronology of Events

Aug, 2004 Investigation and Analysis
Sept, 2004 Discussion with NHTSA
October, 2004 Defect notification

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Program for Remody of Defect.

All affected vehicles will be subject to the recall. Vehicle owners will receive a letter via first class mail. The letter will request that the owner of the vehicle take their vehicle to a Volvo retailer for remedy. The remedy will be inspecting the version of, and if necessary replacing the Master Light Switch.

A schedule for notification to the dealers/retailors and customers will be provided to NHTSA at a future date.

8. Copies of Notices, Bulletins, etc.

Formal retailer notices, bulletins and other communications have not been completed. Copies of all such information will be forwarded to NHTSA as soon as they are available.

Volvo will offer reimbursement to owners for expenses for this specific condition prior to this recall for any vehicles that are not still covered under the new car warranty program.

- Proposed Owner Notification Letter.
 Volvo's proposal for Owner notification letter will be provided to NHTSA at a future date.
- The Manufacturer's Campaign Number.
 Volvo has assigned Volvo Campaign Number 142 to this Safety Recall Campaign.

If you have any questions regarding this report please contact:

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Sincerely yours,

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