ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF NONCOMPLIANCE INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573

Assigned Recall No. <u>04V-109</u> by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: July 9, 2003 and March 3, 2004

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SUBJECT: 350 MY 2002-2003 MPV minivans fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 208, "Occupant Crash Protection," manufactured from November 26, 2001 through June 30, 2003. Some of these vehicles were produced with air bag warning labels intended for the Canadian Market. Thus, the labels contain warnings in both English and French. As a result, the area of the English warning is only 16 square centimeters, as opposed to the 30 square centimeters required by the standard. *Mazda Recall No. 1804C*.

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be written only if we have additional comments or concerns.

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin during March 2004. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by April 30, 2004.

If you have any questions, please call:

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