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

Assigned Recall No. <u>04V-131</u> by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: March 9, 2004 Date NHTSA Faxed: March 19, 2004

Manufacturer: Hyundai America Technical Center, Inc.

Manufacturer Contact: Mr. Robert Babcock, Manager, Corporate Affairs

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SUBJECT: 17,401 MY 2003-2004 Santa Fe sport utility vehicles equipped with 3.5 liter V-6 engines, 4-wheel drive and antilock braking systems (ABS) and manufactured from September 3, 2002 through February 27, 2004. If the brake pedal is depressed at speeds between 3 and 12 mph when the brake pad friction surfaces are wet, a vibration may occur between the brake discs and pads causing ABS sensor electronic signal noise to develop. At speeds below 5 mph, the ABS sensor signal noise may cause the ABS electronic control unit (ECU) to activate the ABS, extending the stopping distance. Hyundai Recall No. 065.

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

We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577. However, we would like you to change the word "accident" to "crash" per our regulations.

As stated in Part 573.6, 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. Since we are so close to the end of the quarter, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2004.

If you have any questions, please call:

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