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of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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

Assigned Recall No. **04V-558** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **November 18, 2004**

Date E-Mailed: **November 30, 2004**

Manufacturer: **Toyota Motor North America, Inc.**

Manufacturer Contact: **Chris Tinto, Director**

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SUBJECT: 183,090 Toyota 2004 Lexus RX330 sport utility vehicles and Prius passenger vehicles may be equipped with an improperly designed brake light switch. A silicon oxide build-up occurs on the contacts inside the brake light switch, which can make it inoperable. If the switch is inoperable, the brake lights will not illuminate and can increase the risk of a crash.

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

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, the recall is expected to begin during December 2004. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by January 30, 2005.

If you have any questions, please call:

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