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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Chris Tinto
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Dear Mr. Tinto:

Toyota Motor North America, Inc. (Toyota) is requested, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30165, 30166, and 30119, to renotify owners involved in safety recall 04V-566 who have not had their vehicles corrected or otherwise accounted for. This recall involves 92,577 MY 2001 and 2002 Toyota Celica vehicles which vehicle fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment." The luminous intensity of the daytime running lamp (DRL) will be modified to meet the standard requirements. The remedy for this recall campaign is to install a resistor, which will decrease the luminous intensity of the DRL. Through the second quarter of 2006, Toyota's sixth reporting quarter, Toyota reports that of the 92,577 vehicles involved, 37,175 have been remedied, resulting in a completion rate of 40 percent.

Toyota should conduct the owner renotification in accordance with the guidelines listed below.

- Before conducting the owner renotification, Toyota should obtain an updated owner list, for this recall campaign, based on current state motor vehicle registration records.
- Toyota's proposed owner renotification letter for this recall must meet the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.10, "Follow-up Notification," and must be submitted to NHTSA for review before owner renotification begins. Part 577.10(e)(1) specifically requires that the renotification letter be identified as a "... follow-up to an earlier communication."

- In addition to the six quarterly status reports required under 49 CFR Part 573.6, "Quarterly Reports," Toyota is requested to file three additional quarterly status reports.
- Furnish a proposed schedule for conducting the owner renotification that includes the following information:
 - a. the date on which the search of current state motor vehicle registration records will be initiated in order to update the original owner list;
 - b. the approximate date on which the revised owner list will be available to initiate owner renotification;
 - c. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will begin; and
 - d. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will be completed (if the owner renotification is to be staggered, give the beginning and ending owner renotification date for each segment).

Toyota's renotification schedule and a draft of the proposed owner renotification letter must be submitted to this office by January 17, 2007.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Kelly Schuler of my staff at (202) 366-5227, by fax at (202) 366-7882, or by e-mail at kschuler@nhtsa.dot.gov.

George Person, Chief

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