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January 6, 2005

Mr. George Person Chief, Recall Management Division National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 400 7th SW, (Room 5319) Washington, DC 20590

RE: NHTSA CAMPAIGN No. 04V-180/Kia Campaign No. SC038 – 3rd Quarter Report

Dear Mr. Person:

We submit this letter for the purpose of compliance with the quarterly reporting requirements of 49 C.F.R. Section 573.6. The attached report is submitted for the quarter ending December 31, 2004. This recall involves the Kia Optima that is manufactured by Kia Motors Corporation.

The status of number of vehicles received repaired under the remedial plan is as follows:

Item	Unit
Total No. of Optima's Involved	25,803
Total No. Inspected & Remedied	13,219
Action (%)	51.23%

If you require any additional information, please contact me at (949) 470-7098.

Sincerely,

Bill Bradley
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Consumer Affairs

Field Support Supervisor

cc:

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Safety Recall Quarterly Report Information

Required per 49 CFR Part 573.69

Report Date: January 3, 2005 Calendar Quarter: Fourth Safety Recall Quarterly Report from October 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004. Manufacturer: Kia Motors Corporation Report Author: Bill Bradley Phone (714) 470-7098 Recall Subject: Optima Fuel Tank Assembly Valve 1. NHTSA Safety Recall Campaign: 04V-180 Also, for completeness, if your company has assigned a code number to this campaign, please provide code: SC038 2. (a) The date notification to purchasers began: June 25, 2004 The date notification of purchasers was completed: June 25, 2004 (b) The Total Number of Items Involved: 3. 25.803 The total number of items involved in the subject campaign (including all items sold or distributed to purchasers, dealers, distributors, and similar entities beyond the immediate control of the manufacturer/importer). Number of Items Returned from Inventory or Remedied Prior to Sale: includes (a) the total number of items returned from Manufacturer, Distributor, Dealer or Retailer inventory or (b) otherwise remedied prior to sale to consumers. 4. Total Number Inspected & Remedied: 13.219 (a) Total number of items, which were inspected and/or otherwise repaired or remedied. (b) Total Number Inspected & NOT REQUIRING REMEDY: 0 5. Items determined to be Unreachable: **Total Number Exported:** 0 Total Number Stolen: Total Number Scrapped: 40 Total Number Unable to Notify: 1.067 Total Number Otherwise Unreachable:

Items shall refer to the vehicle, items or equipment or tires involved in the safety recall on which you are reporting.