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**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
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NVS-215  
05V-022

Subject: SUZUKI/STOP LAMP SWITCH

Dear MR. BUSH:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect or noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

SUZUKI/FORENZA/2004  
SUZUKI/VERONA/2004

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 05V-022

**Recall Date:** January 28, 2005

**Components:**

EXTERIOR LIGHTING: BRAKE LIGHTS: SWITCH

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 37796

**Summary:**

ON CERTAIN PASSENGER VEHICLES, THE STOP LAMP SWITCH MAY BECOME MISADJUSTED IF AN UPWARD/REARWARD FORCE IS APPLIED TO THE BRAKE PEDAL. THE ELECTRICAL CONTACTS IN A MISADJUSTED STOP LAMP SWITCH MAY NOT OPEN WHEN THE BRAKE PEDAL IS AT ITS NATURAL REST POSITION, CAUSING THE STOP LAMPS TO REMAIN ILLUMINATED CONTINUOUSLY WITHOUT SERVICE BRAKE PEDAL APPLICATION, WITH THE IGNITION ON OR OFF.

**Consequence:**

THIS CONDITION WILL ALSO CAUSE CRUISE CONTROL AND TRACTION CONTROL SYSTEM (IF EQUIPPED) TO BE DISABLED. IF THE IGNITION SWITCH IS TURNED OFF WHEN THIS CONDITION EXISTS, THE BATTERY WILL BECOME DISCHARGED WITHIN ABOUT THREE HOURS.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE STOP LAMP SWITCH WITH AN IMPROVED SWITCH. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT SUZUKI AT 1-800-934-0934.

**Notes:**

SUZUKI RECALL NO. KF. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

Effective October 21, 2004, Suzuki must provide an estimated dealer notification date as well as an owner notification date (month/day/year).

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

NOTE: Please provide a consequence/risk associated with this recall.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at [patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov](mailto:patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov) or [delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov](mailto:delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



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Chief, Recall Management Division