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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

March 3, 2005

KENT REEVES MITSUBISHI MOTORS NORTH AMERICA, INC. 6400 KATELLA CYPRESS CA 90630 NVS-215 05V-069

Subject: PARKING BRAKE PEDAL CABLE LOCK NUT

Dear MR. REEVES:

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:

MITSUBISHI/ENDEAVOR/2004-2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-069 Recall Date: February 24, 2005

**Components:** 

PARKING BRAKE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 65436

## **Summary:**

ON CERTAIN SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES, THE PARKING BRAKE PEDAL CABLE LOCK NUT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN TIGHTENED TO THE PROPER TORQUE SPECIFICATION. THE LOCK NUT MAY LOOSEN AND COME OFF, WHICH WILL REDUCE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PARKING BRAKE.

## Consequence:

THIS CONDITION COULD ALLOW THE VEHICLE TO ROLL IF THE TRANSMISSION IS NOT PLACED INTO THE "PARK" POSITION AND THE VEHICLE IS PARKED ON A SLOPE, THUS RAISING THE POSSIBILITY OF A CRASH.

## Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND TIGHTEN THE PARKING BRAKE CABLE LOCK NUT, IF NECESSARY. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON APRIL 1, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT MITSUBISHI AT 1-800-222-5500.

## Notes:

MITSUBISHI RECALL NO. SR-05-001. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

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).

As stated in Part 573.7, 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 on April 1, 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2005.

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 <a href="mailto:patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov">patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov</a> or <a href="mailto:delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov">delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov</a>. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

/s/ Patricia A. Wallace for

George H. Person Chief, Recall Management Division