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Traffic Safety
Administration**

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MITSUBISHI FUSO TRUCK OF AMERICA, INC.
2015 CENTER SQUARE ROAD
LOGAN TOWNSHIP NJ 08085

NVS-215
05V-303

Subject: REAR ENGINE SUPPORT

Dear MR. MOHR:

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 as this is the information that will be made available to the public.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE639/1999-2004
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE640/2001-2004
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE649/1999-2004
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FH210/2003-2004

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-303

Recall Date: June 28, 2005

Components:

ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 15,307

Summary:

ON CERTAIN MEDIUM DUTY TRUCKS, THE REAR ENGINE SUPPORT BRACKET IS COMPOSED OF MATERIALS OF INSUFFICIENT STRENGTH. NORMAL VEHICLE VIBRATIONS MAY CAUSE THE BRACKET TO CRACK.

Consequence:

IF THE VEHICLE IS CONTINUALLY OPERATED IN THIS CONDITION, THE BRACKET MAY BREAK APART, CAUSING THE TRANSMISSION TO DROP OUT OF ALIGNMENT WITH THE DRIVE TRAIN.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSTALL A MODIFIED REAR ENGINE SUPPORT BRACKET. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT MITSUBISHI FUSO AT 1-856-467-4500.

Notes:

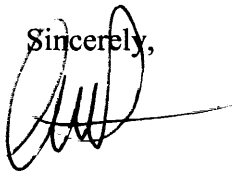
CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Effective October 21, 2004, a manufacturer must provide an estimated dealer notification date as well as an owner notification date (month/day/year) when submitting a defect/noncompliance report (Part 573.6).

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).

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 or delia.lopez@NHTSA.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement