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NVS-215 05V-466

Subject: FUEL PUMP

Dear MR. MARSEE:

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:

ISUZU/RODEO/2002-2004 ISUZU/RODEO SPORT/2002-2003 ISUZU/AXIOM/2002-2004 HONDA/PASPORT/2002

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-466 Mfg's Report Date: October 6, 2005

**Components:** 

FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE: DELIVERY: FUEL PUMP

Potential Number of Units Affected: TO BE PROVIDED

## **Summary:**

CERTAIN SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES THAT HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO FUEL CONTAMINATED WITH SILICON MAY DEVELOP SMALL PIN HOLES IN THE FUEL PUMP FEED PORT. SILICON HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE FUEL SYSTEMS OF AFFECTED VEHICLES AND IN CERTAIN FUEL AVAILABLE IN THE REGION OF TYLER, TEXAS. THIS RECALL WILL BE LAUNCHED FOR VEHICLES REGISTERED IN TEXAS AND THE FOUR SURROUNDING STATES: OKLAHOMA, ARKANSAS, NEW MEXICO AND LOUISIANA.

Consequence:

A FUEL LEAK COULD LEAD TO A VEHICLE FIRE.

Remedy:

FOR VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE STATES IDENTIFIED ABOVE, DEALERS WILL PROVIDE A NEW COVER OVER THE EXISTING FEED PORT ON THE FUEL PUMP OR, IF THE EXISTING FEED PORT HAS ALREADY BEEN DAMAGED, DEALERS WILL INSTALL A NEW FUEL PUMP THAT IS EQUIPPED WITH THE NEW COVER. THE NEW COVER WILL BE MADE OF A DIFFERENT MATERIAL. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN LATE OCTOBER 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT ISUZU AT 1-800-255-6727.

## Notes:

ISUZU RECALL NO. UE. CUSTOMERS CAN 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.

The information in your defect or noncompliance report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 except for the following items:

Effective October 21, 2004, a manufacturer must provide an estimated dealer notification date (month/day/year) when submitting a defect/noncompliance report (Part 573.6). Also, please provide us with the quantity of vehicles involved.

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 late October 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by January 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 dampaign.

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