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NVS-215 05V-540

Subject: WHEELS/TOYOTA RACING DEVELOPMENT/TRD

Dear MR. TINTO:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect 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:

TOYOTA/SEQUOIA/2006 TOYOTA/TUNDRA/2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-540 Mfg's Report Date: November 22, 2005

Components: WHEELS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 6

Summary:

CERTAIN TRUCKS AND SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH TOYOTA RACING DEVELOPMENT (TRD) 20" ALLOY WHEELS. DUE TO A MANUFACTURING ERROR, THE LUG-NUT HOLES WERE NOT MACHINED TO THE APPROPRIATE SPECIFICATION WHICH WILL REDUCE THREAD ENGAGEMENT. THESE WHEELS MAY NOT MAINTAIN THE APPROPRIATE TORQUE SPECIFICATION REQUIRED SECURING THE WHEEL TO THE VEHICLE.

Consequence:

THIS MAY EVENTUALLY LEAD TO WHEEL FAILURE AND POSSIBLY RESULT IN A VEHICLE CRASH.

Remedy:

ALL SIX VEHICLE OWNERS HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY TELEPHONE AND INSTRUCTED TO RETURN THEIR VEHICLES TO THEIR DEALER FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE TRD ACCESSORY 20" ALLOY WHEELS WITH 16" OR 17" WHEELS WHICH THESE VEHICLES ARE DESIGNED FOR. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT TOYOTA AT 1-800-331-4331.

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.

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

As stated in your defect report, six vehicles are involved and customers have been notified by telephone. Please let us know when the remedy is accomplished so that we can count this recall as 100% completed.

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

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