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U.S. Department of Transportation  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room 5319  
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Washington, DC 20590

**Subject: Safety Recall Notification on the Rear Engine Support;  
Model Years: 1999 – 2004; Models: FE639, FE640, FE649, FG639, FH210  
MFTA Safety Recall – C0028910 Rear Engine Support  
NHTSA Safety Recall – 05V-303**

Dear Mr. Person:

This is an update to the Safety Recall Notification sent on June 28, 2004. The updates are in bold and underlined text. This update also includes the "Summary Report of All Warranty Claims, Field or Service Reports, and Other Information, with their Date of Receipt" requested in item six (6) below.

Pursuant to 49 CFR, Part 573, Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America, Inc. (MFTA) herewith files a defect and noncompliance information report concerning the rear engine support bracket on certain 1999 through 2004 model year FE639, FE640, FE649 and FH210 Mitsubishi Fuso trucks for all states. The contents of this report are arranged to follow the sequence set forth in Section 573.5.

The Dealer Recall Information Bulletin and a sample of the letter that will be sent to each Mitsubishi Fuso truck owner affected by this recall will be forwarded to you upon completion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William P. Mohr".

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Enclosure: As stated

Defect and Noncompliance Information Report

1. The manufacturer's name:

Mitsubishi Fuso Truck & Bus Corporation (MFTBC), Japan

2. Identification of the vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment potentially containing the defect or noncompliance:

<b>Models</b>	<b>Model Year Range</b>
FE639	1999 – 2004
FE640	2001 – 2004
FE649	1999 – 2004
FH210	2003 – 2004

- a) Inclusive dates of manufacture:

<b>Models</b>	<b>Vehicle Production</b>
FE639	February 27, 1998 through December 27, 2003
FE640	June 15, 2000 through January 12, 2004
FE649	February 27, 1998 through January 5, 2004
FH210	January 30, 2002 through January 9, 2004

- b) GVWR or class of truck:

<b>Models</b>	<b>GVWR</b>	<b>Class</b>
FE639	11,600 lbs.	3
	13,500 lbs.	3
FE640	14,500 lbs.	4
FE649	14,500 lbs.	4
FH210	17,900 lbs.	5

- c) Names of the components:

Rear Engine Support Bracket

3. The total number of vehicles or items of equipment potentially containing the defect or noncompliance, and where available, the number of vehicles or items of equipment in each group identified pursuant to paragraph (c) (2) of the section:

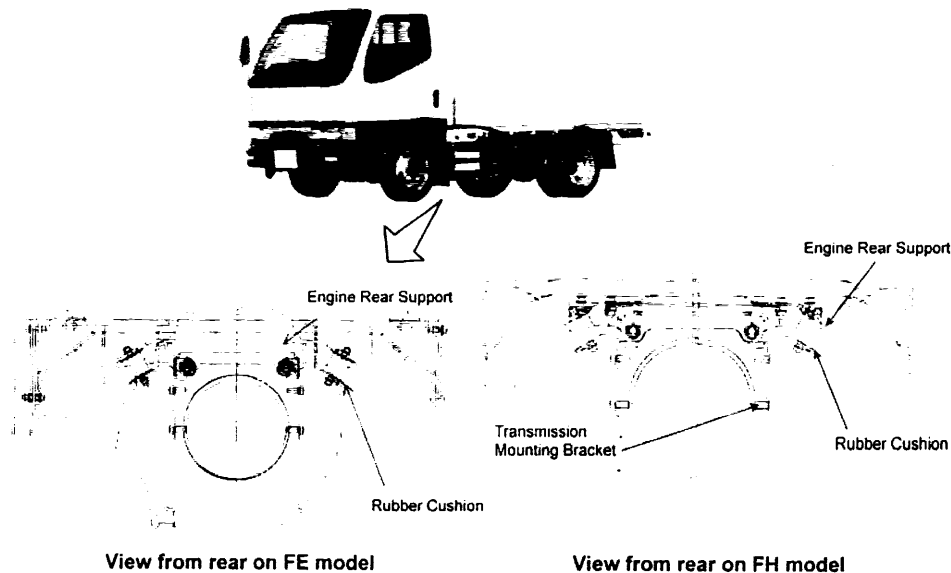
<b>Models</b>	<b># of Vehicles – U.S.</b>	<b># of Vehicles – Canada</b>	
'99 – '04 FE639	5,880	109	
'01 – '04 FE640	3,796	90	
'99 – '04 FE649	4,445	26	
'03 – '04 FH210	1,186	83	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15,307</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>15,615</b>

4. The percentage of vehicles or items of equipment specified pursuant to paragraph (c) (2) of the section estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance:

Unknown

5. A description of the defect or noncompliance, including both a brief summary and a detailed description, with graphic aids as necessary, of the nature and physical location (if applicable) of the defect or noncompliance:

On affected vehicles, the rear engine support bracket is composed of materials of insufficient strength. Normal vehicle vibrations may cause the bracket to crack. If the vehicle is continually operated in this condition, the bracket may break apart. In the worst case, the transmission could drop out of alignment with the drive train.



6. In the case of defect, a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with their date of receipt:

On June 22, 2005, MFTBC notified MFTA that they had determined that a defect related to motor vehicle safety existed and instructed MFTA to perform a safety recall.

After deliberate study of failed sample parts, MFTBC determined that the cause of failure was insufficient material strength. This condition could allow the rear engine support bracket to crack and possibly break apart. In the worst case, the transmission could drop out of alignment with the drive train.

**Between June 23, 1998 and June 15, 2005, MFTA received one hundred fifty (150) Warranty Service Claims (WSC) and forty four (44) Product Quality and Field Reports (PQR/FR) relating to affected vehicles. The summary report of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information MFTA has received, with their date of receipt is attached. Copies of the WSC's and PQR's are available upon request. MFTA has not received any notice of accident or injury relating to the subject components.**

7. In the case of noncompliance, the test results or other data on the basis of which the manufacturer determined the existence of the noncompliance:

Not applicable.

8. A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance:

Install a modified rear engine support bracket.

MFTA will instruct its Dealer body to initiate a safety recall campaign as soon as the parts and notification become available.

**Following is MFTA's proposed campaign schedule:**

**Estimated parts arrival date: 8/29/05**

**Estimated dealer notification: 8/30/05**


**Estimated start of customer notification: 9/7/05**

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer or purchaser:

MFTA will provide NHTSA with a final copy of all related documents when they have been completed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,



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Summary Report of All Warranty Claims, Field or Service Reports,  
and Other Information, with their Date of Receipt

Warranty Service Claims (WSC)

<u>Date of Receipt</u>	<u>MFTA WSC Number</u>	3/30/04	D1092P089
6/23/98	D3014H735	3/30/04	D1092P116
9/22/00	D1011K409	4/1/04	FF106P024
12/28/00	D2066L019	4/1/04	FF106P025
10/22/02	D1044M161	4/7/04	D1180P121
12/11/02	D1165M108	4/8/04	FF106P032
2/5/03	FF106N014	4/19/04	FF106P034
3/11/03	D2066N048	4/19/04	FF106P035
5/27/03	D1050N273	4/20/04	D4009P368
5/27/03	D1050N349	4/22/04	D1011P109
5/28/03	FF106N028	4/22/04	D1011P155
7/12/03	D1029N330	4/23/04	D1044P079
7/12/03	D1029N372	4/27/04	D1029P315
9/5/03	D1142N073	4/27/04	D1029P324
9/30/03	D9145N051	4/27/04	D1029P341
9/30/03	D9145N083	4/27/04	D1029P344
10/2/03	D2079N162	4/27/04	FF117P016
10/2/03	D2079N173	4/27/04	FF117P017
10/3/03	D2079N168	5/7/04	FF106P047
10/20/03	FF106N054	5/11/04	D1050P343
11/6/03	FF106N062	5/11/04	D1050P472
11/18/03	FF106N078	5/18/04	D1057P320
11/21/03	D4013N003	5/20/04	D1050P440
11/28/03	FF106N082	5/21/04	FF106P053
12/1/03	D1029N744	5/25/04	D1029P367
12/2/03	FF106N081	5/25/04	D4009P512
12/10/03	D1044N209	5/26/04	D4009P522
12/12/03	FF106N091	5/26/04	D4009P528
12/22/03	D9145N086	5/28/04	D1164P076
1/14/04	D2038P023	6/8/04	D1119P155
1/24/04	D1011P016	6/10/04	D4011P019
1/24/04	D1011P023	6/14/04	FF106P063
1/28/04	FF106P008	6/15/04	FF106P068
2/9/04	FF106P010	6/15/04	FF106P069
2/9/04	FF106P011	6/15/04	FF106P070
2/13/04	D1011P035	6/23/04	D1006P098
2/13/04	D1011P056	6/23/04	FF106P075
2/17/04	D1057P126	6/23/04	FF106P076
2/26/04	D1029P182	6/29/04	D1109P039
2/26/04	D1029P186	6/29/04	D1109P047
2/27/04	D9146P002	6/29/04	D1109P048
3/6/04	D1180P102	6/29/04	D1197P019
3/6/04	D1180P104	6/29/04	D1197P023
3/10/04	FF106P016	6/30/04	D1011P179
3/11/04	D1011P067	6/30/04	D1164P094
3/11/04	D1011P093	7/1/04	D2002P026
3/17/04	D1057P225	7/1/04	D2002P027
3/17/04	D1057P276	7/1/04	D2002P028
3/17/04	FF106P017	7/14/04	FF117P027
3/19/04	FF106P018	7/21/04	D1011P197
3/19/04	FF106P026	8/11/04	D1050P667
3/22/04	D2038P134	8/11/04	D1050P688
3/29/04	D1029P270	<u>Date of Receipt</u>	<u>MFTA WSC Number</u>
<u>Date of Receipt</u>	<u>MFTA WSC Number</u>	8/16/04	D1092P288

8/24/04	D1149P133
8/24/04	D4009P681
9/7/04	D1044P142
9/8/04	D1092P318
9/8/04	D2038P316
9/8/04	D2038P344
9/14/04	D1196P121
9/20/04	D1057P510
10/1/04	D2106P013
10/5/04	D1057P544
10/7/04	D1196P133
10/28/04	D3074P064
11/15/04	D1057P646
11/16/04	D1001P235
11/16/04	D1057P648
12/1/04	D9194P090
12/6/04	D9194Q001
12/10/04	D1092P515
12/15/04	D3073P107
12/27/04	D1029PC69
12/29/04	D3069P466
1/16/05	D1119Q057
1/17/05	D1111Q013
1/24/05	D9194Q003
1/26/05	D2038Q129
1/26/05	D2041Q006
1/28/05	D3068Q020
2/3/05	D1153Q041
2/8/05	D2038Q292
2/11/05	D3068Q036
2/28/05	D1180Q279
3/3/05	D1153Q178
3/9/05	D1164Q369
3/21/05	D3073Q111
3/28/05	D1011Q423
4/4/05	D1057Q811
4/6/05	D1057Q830
4/8/05	D1162Q064
4/28/05	D1191Q101
4/29/05	D1111Q351
4/29/05	D2038Q668
4/29/05	D2038Q747
4/29/05	D2038Q748
5/4/05	D9190Q188
6/15/05	D1057QB09

Product Quality and Field Reports (PQR/FR)

<u>Date of Receipt</u>	<u>MFTA PQR/FR Number</u>
1/29/01	FV01T026A
1/17/03	FV03T017A
4/21/03	FV03T040A
7/11/03	FV03T040B
7/11/03	FV03T040C
8/1/03	FV03T040D
9/19/03	FV03T084A
11/3/03	FV03T084B
11/7/03	FV03T084C
11/7/03	FV03T098A
11/26/03	REJE3020
2/4/04	FV04T011A
2/4/04	FV04T011B
2/27/04	FV04T024A
3/9/04	FV04T024B
3/13/04	3064
3/15/04	FV04T024C
3/17/04	FV04T024D
3/18/04	FV04T024E
4/2/04	FV04T024G
4/2/04	FV04T024H
4/20/04	FV04T024F
4/29/04	FV04T024J
4/29/04	FV04T024K
4/29/04	FV04T024L
5/10/04	FV04T024M
5/10/04	FV04T024N
5/10/04	FV04T024O
5/10/04	FV04T024P
5/11/04	FV04T024I
5/12/04	FV04T024Q
5/12/04	FV04T024R
5/13/04	FV04T043A
5/14/04	FV04T024S
5/14/04	FV04T024T
5/14/04	FV04T024U
5/14/04	FV04T024V
5/14/04	FV04T024W
5/14/04	FV04T024X
5/14/04	FV04T024Y
5/24/04	FV04T024Z
5/24/04	FV04T024AA
7/12/04	FV04T057A
7/12/04	FV04T057B