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NVS-215
06V-135

Subject: FRONT BRAKE FLEXI-HOSE CHAFES

Dear MR. JOHNSTON:

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 information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

LAND ROVER/RANGE ROVER SPORT/2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-135

Mfg's Report Date: April 18, 2006

Components: SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC:FOUNDATION COMPONENTS:HOSES,
LINES/PIPING, AND FITTINGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 10,791

Summary:

ON CERTAIN VEHICLES FITTED WITH 9J-19 INCH DIAMETER WHEELS, DURING CERTAIN VEHICLE MANEUVERS WHEN THE STEERING SYSTEM IS ON FULL LEFT LOCK AND THE SUSPENSION IS MOVING TOWARDS FULL COMPRESSION, THE LEFT FRONT BRAKE HOSE AND/OR THE ABS WHEEL SPEED SENSOR LEAD AND/OR THE BRAKE PAD WEAR WARNING SENSOR LEAD CAN CATCH ON THE WHEEL BALANCE WEIGHT AS THE WHEEL ROTATES.

Consequence:

THIS MAY LEAD TO WARNINGS OF PREMATURE BRAKE PAD WEAR, WARNINGS OF ABS FAILURE, OR EXTENDED BRAKE PEDAL TRAVEL AND LOSS OF ONE OF THE HYDRAULIC SERVICE BRAKING SYSTEM CIRCUITS, WHICH COULD RESULT IN A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE LEFT FRONT BRAKE FLEXI-PIPE ASSEMBLY AND REPLACE IT IF IT EXHIBITS SIGNS OF CHAFING, AND ALSO TO REPLACE THE LEFT FRONT 'CLIP-ON' WHEEL BALANCE WEIGHTS WITH 'STICK-ON' WHEEL BALANCE WEIGHTS. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON MAY 22, 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT LAND ROVER AT 1-201-818-8500.

Notes:

LAND ROVER RECALL NO. B039. CUSTOMERS MAY 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).

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

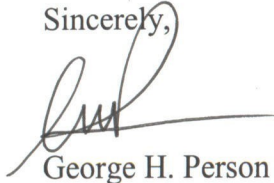
You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification 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).

You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available.

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 during May 2006. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before July 30, 2006.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Person", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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