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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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3800 HAMLIN ROAD
AUBURN HILLS MI 48326

NVS-215
06V-198

Subject: DRIVER'S SIDE DASH FIRE

Dear MR. MADDOX:

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:

AUDI/A6/1998-2000
AUDI/A6 AVANT/1998-2000
AUDI/S6/1998-2000
AUDI/S6 AVANT/1998-2000

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-198

Mfg's Report Date: June 2, 2006

Components: ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected: To be provided

Summary:

ON CERTAIN PASSENGER VEHICLES, WHILE PERFORMING THE REMEDIAL REPAIR FOR RECALL 04V133000, IF THE PLASTIC COVER IS NOT SECURELY INSTALLED TO THE DRIVER'S SIDE SUPPORT CROSSMEMBER, THE HEADLIGHT SWITCH WIRING HARNESS COULD COME INTO CONTACT WITH THE CROSSMEMBER.

Consequence:

THIS COULD LEAD TO AN ELECTRICAL SHORT IN THE HARNESS, WHICH COULD LEAD TO A FIRE IN THE DRIVER'S SIDE DASHBOARD AREA.

Remedy:

THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED A REMEDY OR AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE FOR THIS CAMPAIGN. OWNERS MAY CONTACT AUDI AT 1-800-822-2834.

Notes:

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).

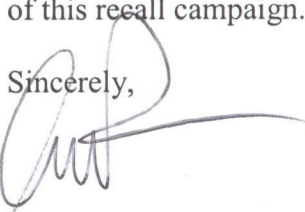
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

Please provide us with the quantity of vehicles involved, the remedial action, and an estimated dealer and owner notification date (month/day/year).

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 required 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