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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215paw
06V-478

Subject: MANUAL 6-SPEED TRANSMISSIONS - CLUTCH UNION

Dear MR. SLOANE:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report filed on behalf of your client, Ferrari North America, Inc. 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:

FERRARI/F430/2005-2006
FERRARI/SPIDER/2005-2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-478

Mfg's Report Date: December 11, 2006

Components: POWER TRAIN:MANUAL TRANSMISSION

Potential Number of Units Affected: 216

Summary:

ON CERTAIN COUPE AND SPIDER VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH MANUAL SIX-SPEED TRANSMISSIONS, THERE IS A NON-CONFORMING RIGHT-ANGLE UNION IN THE CLUTCH PUMP. THIS COULD CAUSE A HAIR-LINE CRACK TO FORM UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS DUE TO HEAT, WHICH COULD RESULT IN FLUID LEAKAGE FROM THE BRAKING/ CLUTCH HYDRAULIC SYSTEM.

Consequence:

THIS LEAKAGE, IN TURN, WILL CAUSE THE BRAKING/CLUTCH HYDRAULIC SYSTEM FLUID LEVEL WARNING LIGHT TO ILLUMINATE AND, IF NOT REMEDIED, COULD ULTIMATELY AFFECT THE FUNCTIONALITY OF THE CLUTCH CONTROL PEDAL. THIS COULD RESULT IN A REDUCTION IN THE DRIVER'S ABILITY TO SHIFT GEARS WHILE DRIVING, RENDERING THE VEHICLE INOPERABLE WHICH COULD RESULT IN A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE NON-CONFORMING UNION IN THE CLUTCH ASSEMBLY. IN ADDITION, THE SEAL RING, RUBBER HOSE AND SCREW COLLARS THAT ARE ATTACHED TO THE UNION WILL BE REPLACED. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN JANUARY 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT FERRARI AT 1-201-816-2600.

Notes:

FERRARI RECALL NO. 46. 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 beginning and ending dates for the build date range of vehicles affected by this recall.

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 during January 2007. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before April 30, 2007.

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@dot.gov or delia.lopez@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



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