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DEFECT INVESTIGATION

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Mr. Daniel Smith
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Subject: **Notification of Recall Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 573 (2006)**
Model Years 1998 - 2000 Audi A6, A6 Avant, S6, and S6 Avant

Dear Mr. Smith,

This information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (49 CFR 573 (2006)). Pursuant to 49 CFR 573.6(b), we will provide the remaining information required by 573.6(c) as it becomes available.

573.6 (c) (1) **Manufacturer's Name**
AUDI AG

Importer
Volkswagen of America, Inc. (VWoA)

573.6 (c) (2) **Identification of Vehicles**
Make : Audi
Line : A6, A6 Avant, S6, and S6 Avant
Model Years : 1998, 1999, 2000
Month/Year
of Manufacture : 08/97 – 05/00
VIN Numbers : WAU ZZZ 4B Z W N 028644 – WAU ZZZ 4B Z W N 192285
of Affected : WAU ZZZ 4B Z X N 000251 – WAU ZZZ 4B Z X N 142340
Vehicles : WAU ZZZ 4B Z Y N 000158 – WAU ZZZ 4B Z Y N 138397
Other
Identification : None

573.6 (c) (3) **Number of Vehicles Potentially Containing the Defect**
TBD

573.6 (c) (4) **Percentage of Vehicles Actually Containing Defect**
TBD

573.6 (c) (5) **Description of Defect**
While performing the remedial repair described in NHTSA recall 04V-133, 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, possibly leading to an electrical short in the harness, which in rare cases could lead to a fire in the driver's side dashboard area.

- 573.6 (c) (6) **Basis for Determination**
TBD
- 573.6 (c) (7) **Noncompliance Test Result**
Not applicable
- 573.6 (c) (8) **Proposed Remedial Program**
TBD
- 573.6 (c) (10) **Submission of Communications**
TBD
- 573.6 (c) (11) **Proposed Owner Letter**
TBD
- 573.6 (c) (12) **Manufacturer's Recall Code**
TBD

Sincerely,

Susanne Dirksen for

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