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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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MITSUBISHI FUSO TRUCK OF AMERICA, INC.
2015 CENTER SQUARE ROAD
LOGAN TOWNSHIP NJ 08085

NVS-215dgl
07V-138

Subject: IDLER GEAR SHAFT FLANGE

Dear MR. MOHR:

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:

MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE640/2001-2002
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE640/2004
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE83D/2005
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE84D/2005-2006
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE85D/2005-2006
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FG84D/2005-2006
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FH210/2004

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-138

Mfg's Report Date: March 21 and 22, 2007

Components: ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8,712

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRUCKS, THE CYLINDER HEAD IDLER GEAR BUSHING MAY HAVE BEEN IMPROPERLY MACHINED, CAUSING EXCESSIVE STRESS ON THE CYLINDER HEAD IDLER GEAR SHAFT. CONTINUED OPERATING IN THIS CONDITION COULD CAUSE THE IDLER GEAR SHAFT FLANGE TO BREAK AND GENERATE ABNORMAL ENGINE NOISE OR ENGINE OIL LEAKS.

Consequence:

THE ENGINE COULD STALL AND WOULD NOT RESTART INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

ON VEHICLES WITH LESS THAN 15,000 MILES, IF THE IDLER GEAR AND BUSHING ASSEMBLY, IDLER GEAR SHAFT AND BOLT WILL BE REPLACED. IF THE MILEAGE IS MORE THAN 15,000 MILES, THE INSIDE DIAMETER OF THE IDLER GEAR BUSHING WILL BE MEASURED AND IF THE BUSHING MEASURES MORE THAN 32.043MM (1.262"), THE IDLER GEAR AND BUSHING ASSEMBLY, IDLER GEAR SHAFT AND BOLT WILL BE REPLACED. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT MAY 11, 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MITSUBISHI FUSO AT 1-856-467-4500.

Notes:

MITSUBISHI FUSO RECALL NO. C1002210. CUSTOMERS MAY 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).

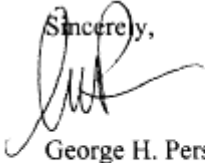
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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 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).

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 on or about May 11, 2007. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before July 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Person', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

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