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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

April 30, 2007

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ENGINEERING COMPLIANCE
AUTOCAR, LLC
551 S. WASHINGTON STREET
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HAGERSTOWN IN 47346

NVS-215dgl
07V-184

Subject: LOOSE STEERING COLUMN FASTENERS

Dear Mr. THEART:

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:

AUTOCAR/WX/2007
AUTOCAR/WXLL/2007
AUTOCAR/WXR/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-184

Mfg's Report Date: April 12, 2007

Components: STEERING: COLUMN

Potential Number of Units Affected: 682

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRUCKS, SOME OF THE FASTENERS THAT FIX THE BRACKETS THAT SUPPORT THE STEERING COLUMN MAY NOT BE SECURED TO THE PROPER TIGHTNESS.

Consequence:

EXCESSIVE PLAY IN THE STEERING COULD CAUSE THE DRIVER TO LOSE STEERING CONTROL INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND REPAIR THE VEHICLES FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT MAY 21, 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT AUTOCAR AT 765-489-5499.

Notes:

AUTOCAR RECALL NO. A-0701. 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).

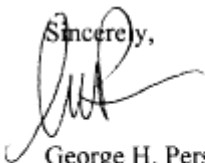
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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 21, 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,



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