

Mazda North American Operations



Mr. Daniel C. Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Room W46-425
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

September 12, 2007

Dear Mr. Smith:

On August 3, Mazda Motor Corporation submitted a Part 573 report addressing the speed control deactivation switch on certain 1998 – 2002 model year Mazda B-Series Trucks. In the Part 573 report we said that we planned to send a notification letter to the owners, with a mailing beginning on August 31, directing the customers to return their vehicles to an authorized Mazda dealer for installation of a fused wiring harness. Since the submission of the Part 573 report we have realized that there is a temporary shortage of repair parts. In order to proceed with the resolution of this issue for our customers as quickly as possible we are making some changes to our original plans. We are now planning to implement a two stage recall in order to first, disconnect the speed control deactivation switch in order to avoid any potential problems with a failure of this switch. And second, to install the planned fused wiring harness as soon as it can be made available to our dealers. Our revised schedule is as follows:

- We will send notification of this recall action to our dealers in the week of September 17.
- Beginning on approximately September 24 we will send a notification to our customers to direct them to return the vehicles to their local Mazda dealer to have the speed deactivation control switch disconnected.
- When the fused wiring harness is available, which we expect to be the beginning of December, we will send a second notification letter to our customers directing them to return to the local Mazda dealer for installation of this repair part.

We will submit the draft owner notification letters for your review as soon as they are available.

If you have any questions or need further information regarding our planned actions, please let me know. My telephone number is 313-594-7778 and my e-mail address is drobertson@mazdausa.com

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Robertson', written over a horizontal line.

David Robertson, Group Manager
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