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September 11, 2007

Mr. Daniel C. Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
West Building, Fourth Floor
Washington, D.C. 20590

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Dear Mr. Smith:

Attached is Chrysler LLC's ("Chrysler") Defect Information Report, complying with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 573, Defect and Noncompliance Reports, which contains details of a potential safety related defect in a small number of 2007 model year two wheel drive light duty Dodge Ram trucks equipped with a manual transmission. The front driveshaft yoke may break under certain driving conditions. Chrysler will conduct a safety recall to replace the driveshaft on all affected vehicles.

Sincerely,

Stephan J. Speth

Enclosure: Defect Information Report for Chrysler LLC Recall G32

cc: K.C. DeMeter, NHTSA

Division of Occupational Safety & Health California Department of Industrial Relations

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Submission date: September 11, 2007

Identifying classification of vehicles potentially affected:

Make	Model	Model Year	Inclusive Dates of Manufacture	Volume (estimated)	Other
Dodge	Ram Light Duty Pickup Truck	2007	7/01/06 through 11/06/06	1,498	Two wheel drive with manual transmission only

Estimated percentage containing defect: TBD

Description of defect:

The driveshaft yoke may break under certain driving conditions. This could result in a loss of vehicle control and cause a crash without warning.

The name, address and telephone number of the supplier who manufactured the subject components:

Torque Traction Technologies LLC 3939 Technology Dr. Maumee, OH 43537 419-887-3000

The following chronology of principal events occurred between July and September of 2007 and led to the determination of a defect:

- In July of 2007, Chrysler became aware of two reports of driveshaft separation on 2007 model year Dodge Ram light duty two wheel drive pickup trucks.
- Supplier analysis determined that the aluminum front yoke was soft.
- Investigation determined that for a period of time during 2006, heat was improperly utilized during a reprocessing operation within the driveshaft manufacturing process. This heat adversely affected the hardness and critical dimensions of the yoke on driveshafts utilized on some Dodge Ram light duty two wheel drive pickup trucks equipped with a manual transmission.
- In August of 2007, testing of improperly processed yokes to failure showed distortion and the potential for disengagement.
- The company is not aware of any accidents related to this condition.
- This data was presented to the Chrysler Vehicle Regulations Committee on September 4, 2007 who decided to conduct a safety recall to replace the driveshaft on all affected vehicles.

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Statement of measures to be taken to correct defect:

Chrysler will replace the driveshaft on all affected vehicles. Chrysler expects to initiate national notification to dealers and to owners in September of 2007.

Chrysler has a long standing policy and practice of reimbursing owners who have incurred the cost of repairing a problem that subsequently becomes the subject of a field action. To ensure consistency, Chrysler, as part of the owner letter, will request that customers send original receipt and/or other adequate proof of payment to the company for confirmation of the expense.