## **Technical Bulletin**



# RECALL CAMPAIGN BULLETIN

Reference: Date

NTB08-075 August 4, 2008

## VOLUNTARY RECALL CAMPAIGN 2008 ALTIMA SEDAN TRANSVERSE LINK BOLT

CAMPAIGN ID #: PB083

**APPLIED VEHICLE:** 2008 Altima Sedan (L32) – Coupe and Hybrid NOT included

Refer to Service COMM to confirm campaign eligibility.

#### INTRODUCTION

On certain 2008 Nissan Altima vehicles, the left side front suspension transverse link bolt may not have been tightened to specification. This condition could cause the bolt to become loose while the vehicle is being driven. If the bolt were to come out, the driver may experience difficulty controlling the direction of the vehicle. To prevent this potential condition, Nissan is conducting this Voluntary Recall Campaign to tighten the transverse link bolt to the specified value at no charge for parts or labor

## **IDENTIFICATION NUMBER**

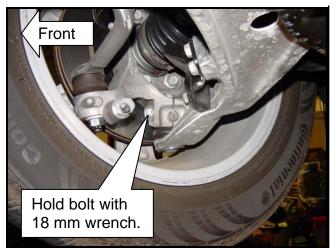
Nissan has assigned identification number PB083 to this campaign. This number must appear on all communications and documentation of any nature dealing with this campaign.

## **DEALER RESPONSIBILITY**

It is the dealer's responsibility to check Service Comm for the campaign status on each vehicle falling within the range of this voluntary safety recall which for any reason enters the service department. This includes vehicles purchased from private parties or presented by transient (tourist) owners and vehicles in a dealer's inventory. Federal law requires that new vehicles in dealer inventory which are the subject of a safety recall must be corrected prior to sale. Failure to do so can result in civil penalties by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. While federal law applies only to new vehicles, Nissan strongly encourages dealers to correct any used vehicles in their inventory before they are retailed.

## **SERVICE PROCEDURE**

- 1. Lift the vehicle on a hoist.
- 2. Locate the steering knuckle to transverse link mounting bolt and nut (see Figures 1 and 2).
- 3. Use an 18 mm wrench on the bolt head to keep it from turning (see Figure 1).
- 4. Loosen the nut at least ½ turn (see Figure 2).
- 5. Torque the nut to 63 N.m (6.4 kg-m, 46 ft-lb). See Figure 3.



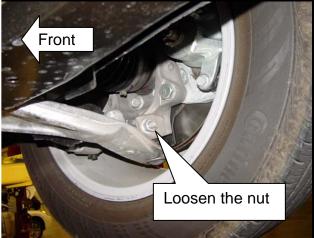


Figure 1 Figure 2



Figure 3

6. Perform steps 2 through 5 for both the left and right sides.

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## **CLAIMS INFORMATION**

Submit a "CM" line claim using the following claims coding:

"CM" I.D.: PB083

DESCRIPTION	OP CODE	FRT
Torque RH & LH Transverse Link Nuts	PB0830	0.2

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## **OWNER'S LETTER**

## Dear Nissan Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Nissan has decided that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety exists in some 2008 model year Nissan Altima vehicles. Our records indicate that you own or lease the Nissan vehicle identified by the VIN on the cover of this notice.

#### Reason for Recall

On certain Altima vehicles, the left side front suspension transverse link bolt may not have been tightened to specification. This condition could cause the bolt to become loose while the vehicle is being driven. If the bolt were to come out, the driver may experience difficulty controlling the direction of the vehicle which could result in a crash.

## What Nissan Will Do

Your Nissan dealer will tighten the transverse link bolt to specification. This free service should take about 1 hour to complete, but your Nissan dealer may require your vehicle for a longer period of time based upon their work schedule.

#### What You Should Do

Contact your Nissan dealer at your earliest convenience in order to arrange an appointment to have your vehicle repaired.

Please bring this notice with you when you keep your service appointment. Instructions have been sent to your Nissan dealer.

If you have additional questions you may contact the National Consumer Affairs Department, Nissan North America, Inc., P.O. Box 685003, Franklin, TN 37068-5003. The toll free number is 1-800-NISSAN1 (1-800-647-7261). You may also submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <a href="http://www.safercar.gov">http://www.safercar.gov</a>.

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Thank you for your cooperation. We are indeed sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you.

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