



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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NVS-215  
10E-040

SUBJECT: WHEEL HUB ASSEMBLY

DEAR MR. TISCHER:

This letter serves to acknowledge Federal-Mogul Corporation's (Federal-Mogul) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which is being conducted pursuant to Federal law for the equipment listed below.

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.

<b>Makes/Models/Model Years:</b>	<b>Mfg's Report Date:</b> August 20, 2010
CARQUEST/515072/9999	
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NATIONAL/515072/9999	
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DODGE/RAM 1500/2002-2008	

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 10E-040

**Components:** WHEELS:CAP/COVER/HUB

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 34,604

**Summary:**

FEDERAL-MOGUL IS RECALLING CERTAIN CARQUEST AND NATIONAL BRAND WHEEL HUB ASSEMBLIES, PART NUMBERS 515073 AND 515073, SOLD FOR USE AS REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT ON MODEL YEAR 2002 THROUGH 2008 DODGE RAM 1500 PICKUP TRUCKS. THE INBOARD ROLL FORM USED TO MAINTAIN THE HUB ASSEMBLY CAN FATIGUE RESULTING IN NOISE AND/OR WHEEL SEPARATION ON THE TWO WHEEL DRIVE (2WD)

APPLICATIONS. THE RISK OF THESE ISSUES DOES NOT OCCUR ON THE FOUR WHEEL DRIVE (4WD) APPLICATIONS, AND INSTALLATION ON THE 4WD APPLICATIONS ARE NOT PART OF THIS RECALL.

**Consequence:**

A VEHICLE CRASH CAN OCCUR IF THE WHEEL SEPARATES FROM THE VEHICLE.

**Remedy:**

FEDERAL-MOGUL WILL NOTIFY OWNERS OF RECORD AND TECHNICIANS WILL REPLACE THE AFFECTED HUB ASSEMBLIES FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT FEDERAL-MOGUL AT 1-248-354-7700.

**Notes:**

THIS RECALL ONLY PERTAINS TO REPLACEMENT CARQUEST AND NATIONAL WHEEL HUB ASSEMBLIES AND HAS NO RELATION TO ANY ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT INSTALLED ON DODGE RAM 1500 VEHICLES MANUFACTURED BY CHRYSLER LLC. OWNERS MAY ALSO 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).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

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 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which the campaign was initiated. Thereafter, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, by email at [Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov](mailto:Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@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 "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Jennifer Timian  
Acting Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement