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

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RE: Defect Information Report

Dear Mr. Smith:

Pursuant to Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Hyundai America Technical Center is submitting information concerning a recall that is being voluntarily initiated. Specific information as required by Section 573.6 is as follows:

573.6(c)(1)

Manufacturer – Hyundai Motor Company
Distributor – Hyundai Motor America

573.6(c)(2)

Certain model year 2010 Hyundai Tucson vehicles produced beginning November 10, 2009 through November 30, 2009 are affected.

573.6(c)(3)

Approximately 515 model year 2010 Hyundai Tucson vehicles produced beginning November 10, 2009 through November 30, 2009 are affected.

573.6(c)(4)

All of the vehicles identified above in 573.6(c)(2) are potentially affected.

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HATCI is an authorized representative of both Hyundai Motor Company and Kia Motors Corporation; which are separate and distinct automotive manufacturers.

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573.6(c)(5)

Properly seated adult right front seat passengers weighing over approximately 240 pounds cause the Passive Occupant Detection System (PODS) Module program to illuminate the "AIR BAG" warning lamp. If the "AIR BAG" warning lamp is illuminated because of this condition, the passenger front air bag will deploy if a crash of sufficient force to require front air bag deployment is experienced.

When this condition occurs, the "PASSENGER AIR BAG OFF" telltale lamp will not illuminate and the passenger front air bag will not be deactivated if a child is seated in the right front seating position.

573.6(c)(6)

Production running change revisions were made to the PODS Module program to ensure recognition of properly seated adult passengers. Hyundai has determined that 515 vehicles may not have received the updated PODS Module program.

Hyundai is not aware of any injuries related to the operation of the PODS in any vehicles identified above in 573.6(c)(2).

573.6(c)(8)

Hyundai Motor America will notify all owners of the Hyundai vehicles described in 573.6(c)(2) above to return their vehicles to their Hyundai dealers, who will reprogram the PODS Module.

Hyundai anticipates that owners will begin to be notified by telephone on February 12, 2010. Owners who cannot be contacted by telephone or who do not respond to that initial contact will be notified by mail after NHTSA has approved the owner notification letter.

Reprogramming the PODS Module of all vehicles affected by this recall would have been covered for 5 years or 60,000 miles under Hyundai's new vehicle limited warranty. As owners of these vehicles would not have incurred expenses for the warranted repair as a result of this condition, Hyundai believes that it is not necessary, and should not be required, to provide notification regarding reimbursement under section 577.11.

573.6(c)(10)

The Technical Service Bulletin containing the service procedure for reprogramming the PODS Module will be provided to NHTSA when available. Other relevant communications will also be forwarded when they are available.

573.6(c)(11)

A draft of the owner notification letter is attached.

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573.6(c)(12)

Hyundai has assigned "Campaign 095" as the designation for this campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Babcock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R'.

Robert Babcock
Senior Manager, Regulation and Certification Department

Attachment