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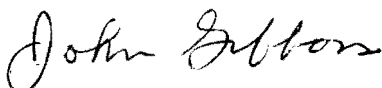
Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attention: Recall Management Division
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Associate Administrator:

The enclosed Noncompliance Information Report is being submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573. A voluntary recall campaign will be initiated and your office provided with the notices. Nissan plans to notify dealers the week of August 31, 2010 and notify owners on September 1, 2010.

The subject vehicles are all under warranty so there is no issue of reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy.

Very truly,



John Gibbons
Senior Manager,
Technical Compliance

Encl.

NONCOMPLIANCE INFORMATION REPORT

1. Manufacturer:

Nissan North America, Inc.

2. Vehicles Potentially Involved:

2010 Model year Nissan Frontier King Cab vehicles manufactured from June 10, 2010 to June 26, 2010.

3. Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved:

Total number of vehicles: 951.

4. Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Actually Contain the Noncompliance:

Less than 0.25%.

5. Description of the Noncompliance:

S6.3.1 of FMVSS No. 225 specifies that when tested in accordance with S8, after preloading the device with a force of 500 N, the tether anchorage must not separate completely from the vehicle seat or seat anchorage or the structure of the vehicle.

On the potentially affected vehicles, an improper wire insertion process during assembly resulted in an out-of-specification welding of the tether anchor wire to the seat gusset. Based on engineering judgment, the tether anchorage could separate from the vehicle seat when tested as specified in S6.3.1 of FMVSS 225. All other applicable requirements are met.

6. Basis for Determination of the Existence of a Noncompliance:

During seat assembly at the seat supplier, an operator identified a non-conforming weld between the tether anchor and the seat gusset bracket. A one hundred percent inspection of all parts in stock was conducted (1,971 components) and four additional non-conforming welds were identified. An investigation revealed that the subject parts were produced during a short

time when a new welding station operator was on the line. Nissan was then able to isolate a population of vehicles that may be potentially affected.

In Nissan's engineering judgment, the out-of-specification tether anchorage weld may cause the tether anchor to separate from the vehicle seat when tested as specified in S6.3.1 of FMVSS 225.

Seat supplier: Johnson Controls, Inc.
5757 North Green Bay Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53209

7. Description of Corrective Action:

Owners of all potentially affected vehicles will be notified to take their vehicle to a Nissan dealer. The seat gusset containing the tether anchorage will be replaced with a new one.

8. Copy of Notices:

Copies of all notices will be provided to NHTSA as they become available.