



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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MR. WALTER LEWIS  
REGULATORY AFFAIRS MANAGER  
PORSCHE CARS NORTH AMERICA, INC.  
980 HAMMOND DRIVE SUITE 1000  
ATLANTA, GA 30328

NVS-215kjs  
11E-021

**SUBJECT: ACCESSORY CENTER WHEEL MOUNTING KITS**

**DEAR MR. LEWIS:**

This letter serves to acknowledge Porsche Cars North America, Inc.'s (Porsche) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a defect in the equipment listed below for which a safety recall campaign will be conducted pursuant to Federal law.

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.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

PORSCHE/CENTER WHEEL MOUNTING KIT/9999  
PORSCHE/911 TURBO/2010-2011

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 11E-021

**Mfg's Report Date:** May 6, 2011  
and amended report dated June 9, 2011

**Components:** EQUIPMENT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 54

**Summary:**

PORSCHE IS RECALLING CERTAIN ACCESSORY CENTER WHEEL MOUNTING KITS EQUIPPED WITH CENTER LOCKING HUB AND WHEEL ASSEMBLIES BEARING THE TORQUE SPECIFICATION INSCRIPTION "500 NM" ON THE CENTER BOLT. THESE KITS WERE SOLD FOR USE ON MODEL YEAR 2010 AND 2011 PORSCHE 911 TURBO VEHICLES. OVER TIME, THE HUBS CAN WEAR PREMATURELY.

**Consequence:**

AS THE HUBS WEAR, THE WHEELS COULD LOOSEN, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

**Remedy:**

PORSCHE WILL NOTIFY OWNERS, AND DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE CENTRAL LOCKING HUBS AND WHEELS WITH AN IMPROVED DESIGN, FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT PORSCHE AT 1-800-PORSCHE (1-800-767-7243.)

**Notes:**

PORSCHE'S RECALL CAMPAIGN NUMBER IS AB01. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-423 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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).

You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners, dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available. Please be reminded that it is expected owners will be notified of a safety defect in their vehicles within 60 days of a manufacturer's notification to NHTSA of a safety defect in those vehicles.

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. Therefore, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contacts for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 1-202-366-5227, or 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 "Jennifer" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Timian".

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