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Attention: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
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Subject: Voluntary Recall Amendment – NHTSA Code 11V-490
2009 – 2012 Model Year Volkswagen Jetta & Jetta SportWagen
2010 – 2012 Model Year Volkswagen Golf
2010 – 2012 Model Year Audi A3
Diesel Fuel Injection Lines

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Dear Mr. Harris:

This will amend our Part 573 report dated September 30, 2011 by providing the following updated information:

573.6 (c) (5) **Description of Defect**

In U.S. specific application of the 2.0L TDI Common Rail Diesel engine/ Clean Diesel engine (engine codes CJAA and CBEA; emissions related de-NOx and de-SOx regeneration cycles) the fuel injection pulses could coincide with the natural frequency of the injector line #2 in specific load and RPM conditions. This resonance creates additional stress on the fuel line which a small number of parts (based on the statistic spread of line strength) cannot withstand over lifetime.

As a contributory factor, one supplier has used tube material with scratch marks from a grinding process during certain production periods which were installed in vehicles during the following production months: December 2008, January-February 2009, October 2009, March-April 2010 and September-December 2010. Injector lines using this material exhibit a significantly higher failure rate.

Due to the possible resonance condition, single fuel injection lines could develop small cracks which could lead to fuel leakage. Leaking fuel, in the presence of an ignition source, may lead to a fire.

Volkswagen is not aware on any fire, crash or injury caused by this issue.

Sincerely,



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