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Ms. Nancy Lummen Lewis
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
Room: W48-302
1200 New Jersey Ave. SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Ms. Lummen:

Attached is Chrysler Group LLC's ("Chrysler") *updated* Defect Information Report, complying with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 573, Defect and Noncompliance Reports, which contains details of a potential non-compliance in some 2012 model year Ram 1500 trucks. The *update to the defect report is to the volume of vehicles affected.*

Chrysler will conduct a voluntary safety recall to inspect and replace as required the spare wheel/tire assembly on all affected vehicles.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David D. Dillon".

David D. Dillon

Enclosure: Defect Information Report for Chrysler Recall M14

cc: Frank Boris, NHTSA

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Submission Date: May 1, 2012

573.6(c)(1): Manufacturer's Name, Brand Name

Chrysler Group LLC, Ram

573.6(c)(2): Identification of Affected Vehicles

Make(s)	Model(s)	Model Year(s)	Inclusive Dates of Manufacture
Ram	1500	2012	Jan 5, 2012-Jan 6, 2012

573.6(c)(2)(iv): Component manufacturer name, address, telephone number, and country of origin:

Warren Truck Assembly
21500 Mound Road
Warren, MI 48091

573.6(c)(3): Potentially Affected Vehicle Population

129 (estimated)

573.6(c)(4): Percentage of Affected Vehicles

66% (approximate)

573.6(c)(5): Description of Defect or Noncompliance

Some vehicles may be equipped with spare tires that do not match the tire placard information.

573.6(c)(6): Chronology of Principal Events Leading to Determination of a Safety Defect

- FMVSS-110 requires manufactures to list tire information, including spare tire size, on the placard.
- On January 6, Warren Truck Assembly Plant (WTAP) became aware of vehicles that had been built with spare tires that did not match the information printed on the tire placard due to being out of sequence.
- A PRI 12-158 was initiated and WTAP held the yard.
- WTAP completed the yard sweep on January 31, having corrected the condition on 237

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vehicles.

- The yard inspection revealed that of these vehicles, approximately one third received the correct tire due to similar consecutive builds.
- A subsequent analysis of manufacturing records revealed that 172 vehicles may have been shipped with tires that may not match the placard, which is non-compliance with FMVSS-110 - Tire selection and Rims - vehicles less than 10,000 lb.
- Chrysler Group LLC is not aware of any field inputs, accidents or injuries related to this condition.
- This information was presented to the Vehicle Regulations Committee on April 24, 2012, which decided to conduct a safety recall.

573.6(c)(7): Information Used in Determination of a Noncompliance

Vehicle inspections determined the potential mismatch between the spare tire and the tire placard, which is a non-compliance with FMVSS-110.

573.6(c)(8): Description of Remedy

Chrysler will conduct a voluntary safety recall to inspect and replace as required the spare wheel/tire assembly on all affected vehicles.

Chrysler has a longstanding policy and practice of reimbursing owners who have incurred the cost of repairing a problem that subsequently becomes the subject of a field action. To ensure consistency, Chrysler, as part of the owner letter, will request that customers send the original receipt and/or other adequate proof of payment to the company for confirmation of the expense.

573.6(c)(10): Dealer and Owner Communications

Chrysler plans to begin notification of dealers and owners in May 2012. Chrysler will provide the dealer and owner letters when available.

573.6(c)(11): Manufacturer's Campaign Number

Chrysler has assigned recall number M14 to this action.