



SUZUKI MOTOR OF AMERICA, INC.

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Ms. Nancy Lewis
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE – Room W45-306
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Ms. Lewis:

The following information is submitted in accordance with the defect reporting regulations in Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 573.

1. Name of Manufacturer and Importers

Manufacturer: Suzuki Motor Corporation ("SMC")

Importers:

- Continental U.S. – Suzuki Motor of America, Inc. ("SMAI")
- Puerto Rico – Suzuki Del Caribe, Inc.
- Hawaii – Servco Pacific Inc.

2. Identification of Motor Vehicles Involved

Affected vehicles are all 2010-2012 model year and certain 2013 model year Suzuki Kizashi passenger cars. Refer to the attached table for details.

3. Total Number of Motor Vehicles Involved

19,249

4. Percentage of Motor Vehicles Estimated to Contain the Defect

100%

5. Description of Defect

A spider may enter the evaporative canister vent line and weave a web, causing a restriction in the vent line. If this occurs, air flow through the

evaporative system may be impacted such that excessive negative pressure is created in the fuel tank. This can cause deformation of the fuel tank, which can lead to fuel tank cracks. If the fuel tank becomes cracked, fuel leakage and venting of gasoline vapors can occur, increasing the risk of a fire.

6. Chronology of Principal Events

March 17, 2011	SMC received a report from the United States market of a situation involving malfunction indicator lamp (MIL) illumination resulting from a crack in the upper rear side of the fuel tank.
June 23, 2011	SMC examined collected parts and found a spider web in the evaporative canister vent line. SMC decided to monitor field data because the cause of the problem was an external factor and problems could be easily identified by MIL illumination.
March 2011 through October 2013	SMC received a total of seven reports (including the initial report) which may be related to the reported defect.
March 2014	SMC examined collected parts and found a spider web again. SMC investigated the extent of the condition.
July 25, 2014	SMC decided to conduct a safety recall to address this issue.

There have been no reports of accidents or injuries involving this condition for affected vehicles sold in the United States.

7. Description of Corrective Action

Suzuki Service Providers will replace the evaporative canister vent line on affected vehicles with a vent line that has a filter on the end. If the canister vent line is found to be obstructed by a spider web, the fuel tank will also be replaced. SMAI is planning to notify dealers about the recall by August 8, 2014, and currently expects to notify owners about the recall on August 15, 2014.

Attached is a copy of SMAI's plan for reimbursing owners and purchasers who incurred costs for remedies of the reported defect in advance of recall notification.

8. Copy of Notices

Attached is a copy of the initial notification letter that SMAI received from SMC. Copies of additional notices will be provided when they have been finalized.

9. Suzuki Campaign Number

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Sincerely,

SUZUKI MOTOR OF AMERICA, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kenneth M. Bush". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Kenneth M. Bush
Department Manager, Government Relations

**IDENTIFICATION OF AFFECTED VEHICLES
BY MAKE, MODEL, MODEL YEAR, AND INCLUSIVE MONTH/YEAR OF
MANUFACTURE**

SUZUKI MODEL	MODEL YEAR	INCLUSIVE MONTH/YEAR OF MANUFACTURE	TOTAL NO. OF VEHICLES
Kizashi	2010	October 2009 – June 2010	6,806
	2011	June 2010 – June 2011	6,110
	2012	June 2011 – June 2012	6,331
	2013	July 2012	2
		TOTAL	19,249