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FMVSS 110, Tire Selection and Rims for Passenger Cars Re:

Part 573, Noncompliance Information Report

Dear Ms. Lewis:

In accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966 and 49 CFR Part 573, on behalf of Toyota Motor Corporation ["TMC"], we hereby submit the attached Noncompliance Information Report concerning certain Toyota Tacoma and FJ Cruiser vehicles that might not meet certain requirements of FMVSS 110.

Should you have any questions about this report, please contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Manager

Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing

North America, Inc.

Enclosures

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NONCOMPLIANCE INFORMATION REPORT

1. Vehicle Manufacturer Name:

Toyota Motor Manufacturing de Baja California, S. de R. L. de C.V. ["TMMBC"] Carretera Tijuana Tecate Kilometro 143 y 144 Tijuana, Baja California C. P. 22550

Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Texas, Inc. ["TMMTX"] 1 Lone Star Pass, San Antonio, Texas, 78264-3413

New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc. ["NUMMI"] 45500 Fremont Blvd., Fremont, California, 94538

Toyota Motor Corporation ["TMC"] 1, Toyota-cho, Toyota-city, Aichi-ken, 471-8571, Japan

Affiliated U.S. Sales Company

Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc. ["TMS"] 19001 South Western Avenue, Torrance, CA 90501

2. <u>Identification of Involved Vehicles:</u>

Based on production and sales records, we have determined the involved vehicle population is within the range of vehicles listed in the table below, but include only a small number on which Toyota Motor Sales, USA ("TMS") accessory wheels and tires may have been installed by TMS or by dealers prior to first sale and which could have received an incorrect tire placard.

Make/	Model	Manufac-	VIN		Production
Car Line	Year	turer	VDS	VIS	Period
Toyota/ Tacoma	2008- 2014	TMMBC TMMTX NUMMI	TBD	TBD	TBD
Toyota/ FJ Cruiser	2008- 2014	TMC	TBD	TBD	TBD

Note: Although the involved vehicles are within the above VIN range, not all vehicles in this

range were sold in the U.S., and only a small number actually contain an incorrect tire placard.

No other Toyota or Lexus vehicles sold in the U.S. are affected.

3. Total Number of Vehicles Involved:

Toyota estimates that about 20,000 vehicles could have received an incorrect tire placard when TMS accessory wheels and tires were installed by TMS or dealers prior to first sale.

4. Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Actually Experience Noncompliance:

Unknown

5. <u>Description of Noncompliance</u>:

FMVSS 110 S4.3 requires that a placard be affixed to the driver's side B-pillar with the tire size and vehicle manufacture's recommended cold tire inflation pressure for front, rear, and spare tire.

The vehicle models noted above left the assembly plants with properly affixed placards that met the requirements of FMVSS 110 S4.3. In the affected vehicles, accessory wheels approved by TMS were installed at vehicle processing centers prior to distribution to dealers or by dealers prior to first sale. Wheels installed at TMS processing centers were equipped with LT tires. Some dealers may have installed the same tire type as used at the processing centers.

When the tires were changed, a revised placard was affixed (as an overlay) on the driver's side B-Pillar. The specified cold tire pressures for the four replaced accessory wheels and tires were correct; however the spare tire size and/or recommended cold tire inflation pressure represented on the new placard was incorrect. Therefore the requirements of S4.3 of FMVSS 110 are not met. An improperly inflated tire can increase the risk of a crash.

6. Test Results and Other Information:

In June 2014, a port technical engineer identified a discrepancy between the replaced tire placard on the B-Pillar and the actual original spare tire installed on a 2014 MY Tacoma equipped with TMS accessory wheels and tires. Toyota began an investigation and found that the size and/or the cold tire pressure specified for the spare tire on the placard was incorrect for the involved vehicles.

As a result of the investigation, it was determined on July 29, 2014 that the tire placard used when TMS accessory wheels and tires were placed on vehicles prior to first sale did not meet the requirements of S4.3 of FMVSS 110.

7. <u>Description of Corrective Repair Action</u>:

TBD

Reimbursement Plan for pre-notification remedies

The owner letter will instruct vehicle owners who have paid to have this condition remedied prior to this campaign to seek reimbursement pursuant to Toyota's General Reimbursement Plan.

8. Recall Schedule:

Mailing of owner notifications for Tacoma and FJ Cruiser will begin in late August, 2014. Copies of the owner notification letter will be submitted as soon as it is available.

9. <u>Distributor/Dealer Notification Schedule</u>:

Notification to distributors/dealers were sent August 4, 2014. Copies of the dealer communications will be submitted as they are issued.