OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# **Part 573 Safety Recall Report**

## 15V-033

**Manufacturer Name:** Nissan North America, Inc.

Submission Date: JAN 23,2015 NHTSA Recall No.: 15V-033 Manufacturer Recall No.: NR



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Nissan North America, Inc.

Address: P. O. BOX 685001

Franklin TN 37068-5009 Company phone : (999) 999-9999

### **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: 170,665 Estimated percentage with defect: 0

#### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle: 2013-2014 Nissan Pathfinder

**Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES** 

Body Style : SUV Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: Certain Model Year 2013-2014 Nissan Pathfinder and Infiniti JX35/QX60 vehicles

manufactured in the Smyrna, TN plant

The subject vehicle range was determined based on the production range of vehicles that might have been manufactured with the subject hood latch release

cable assembly. No other Nissan or Infiniti models are affected.

Production Dates: JUN 20, 2012 - NOV 18, 2013

#### **VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

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Vehicle: 2014-2014 Nissan Pathfinder Hybrid

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style: SUV

Power Train: HYBRID ELECTRIC

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cable assembly. No other Nissan or Infiniti models are affected.

Production Dates: JUL 18, 2013 - NOV 18, 2013

#### **VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

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Production Dates: NOV 29, 2011 - JUN 14, 2013

#### **VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur: NR

### **Supplier Identification: Component Manufacturer**

Name: GECOM

Address: 1025 BARACHEL LANE

**GREENSBURG INDIANA 47240** 

**Country: United States** 

#### **Chronology:**

In September 2014, Nissan identified a defect and decided to conduct a safety recall on certain MY13 Nissan Altima vehicles to remedy a secondary hood latch issue (Recall Number 14V-565). The affected vehicle population was finalized and submitted to NHTSA on October 2.

At the time of the investigation into the Altima issue, Nissan also investigated a single incident related to hood latch assembly on a MY2013 Pathfinder. However, initial incident part inspection did not show corrosion that was observed on incident parts recovered from Altima vehicles, and field monitoring did not show any additional Pathfinder incidents. Nissan instead focused its investigation on the Altima vehicles after it received new information indicating a larger than previously known number of Altima vehicles that had reported experiencing hood-related incidents.

October 2014 to December 2014 - Upon conclusion of the Altima investigation, Nissan shifted its investigation activities toward the Pathfinder vehicles after it received information about another possibly malfunctioning Pathfinder hood latch. Further analysis showed that the hood release cable was too short in certain circumstances based upon installation variation, preventing the secondary hood latch from engaging properly. This root cause was distinct from the Altima defect.

January 15, 2014 – Based on additional incident data analysis, Nissan determined that a safety-related defect exists and that a recall campaign will be conducted to remedy the subject vehicles.

### **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Nissan dealers will be instructed to modify the angle of the hood release mechanism to provide additional length to the release cable. This repair will

be offered at no charge to the customer.

We will not include a statement in the Part 577 owner notification concerning reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy as the subject vehicles are under warranty.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component: NR Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production: NR

## **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Nissan plans to notify dealers on January 26, 2015 and will notify all affected

owners within 60 days from the original DIR submission date.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date: NR - NR

\* NR - Not Reported