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Mr. Frank S. Borris II Acting Associate Administrator for Enforcement National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-210) Room W48-302 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Borris:

We are transmitting the enclosed Noncompliance Information Report in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573. A voluntary recall campaign will be initiated and your office provided with the notices. Nissan plans to notify dealers by November 19, 2015 and begin notifying owners in early December 2015.

We do not plan to put 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.

Very truly,

Will Swindell for

Donald Neff Manager, Technical Compliance

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NONCOMPLIANCE INFORMATION REPORT

1. Manufacturer:

Nissan North America, Inc.

2. <u>Vehicles Potentially Involved:</u>

2015 Model year Nissan Rogue vehicles manufactured from February 10, 2015 through May 13, 2015.

This is a parts quality issue unique to the subject vehicles manufactured during a defined production period. No other vehicles are affected.

3. <u>Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved:</u>

Approximately 33,880 Model year 2015 Nissan Rogue vehicles.

4. Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Actually Contain the Noncompliance:

Unknown

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

Some of the affected vehicles may not comply with the requirements of S5.3 of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 114. Specifically, in some of the subject vehicles, it may be possible to shift out of the "Park" position without depressing the service brake. All other requirements of FMVSS 114 are met.

6. Basis for Determination of the Existence of a Noncompliance

During a routine vehicle inspection at the Smyrna, TN plant on a MY 2015 Rogue, Nissan identified a transmission shift selector knob parts quality issue. Nissan immediately implemented production parts quality improvements.

Concurrently, Nissan began an investigation into the scope and consequence of the issue and whether the subject component was installed on vehicles outside of Nissan's control. The investigation included warranty review, parts and vehicle testing.

As a result of these activities, Nissan determined that the shift selector knob and shifter rod contained manufacturing defects that caused uneven

spring pressure inside the knob on some of the potentially affected vehicles within the subject population. In certain instances, the combination of both quality issues may cause the spring to bind during operation due to excessive clearance between the shifter rod and the shift selector knob hole. As a result, the shift lever can be cycled without depressing the brake pedal. If both of these quality issues are present, the vehicle does not comply with S5.3 of FMVSS 114.

The name and address of the shift selector knob and shifter assembly supplier are:

Shift Selector Knob Supplier Guangzhou Jofu Machinery Industry Co.,Ltd. 20 Yongsheng Road, Yonghe Economic Zone, Guangzhou Development Guangdong

Telephone: 86-20-3222 5558

Country of Origin:

China

<u>Shifter Assembly Supplier</u> Ficosa North America S. A. 30870 Stephenson Highway Madison Heights, Michigan 48071

Telephone: (248) 307-2230

7. Description of Corrective Action:

Owners of all potentially affected vehicles will be notified to take their vehicle to a Nissan dealer. The dealer will inspect the shift selector knob to determine if it is affected. If so, the shift selector knob will be replaced with a new one at no charge to the customer.

8. <u>Copy of Notices:</u>

Copies of all notices will be provided to NHTSA as they become available.