

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

16V-380

Manufacturer Name : Nissan North America, Inc.

Submission Date : MAY 26, 2016

NHTSA Recall No. : 16V-380

Manufacturer Recall No. : NR



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Nissan North America, Inc.

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Company phone : 800-647-7261

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 79,853

Estimated percentage with defect : 2 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2013-2014 Nissan Pathfinder

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : The vehicle population was determined based on the potential for specific operator error.

Production Dates : JUN 20, 2012 -JUN 13, 2013

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : On some of the potentially affected vehicles, the stop lamp switch may have been installed out of specification. If this occurred, the stop lamp switch may make intermittent contact and repeatedly cycle. Over time, this may result in the stop lamp relay sticking in the ON position. This condition would cause the stop lamps to remain illuminated when the service brakes are not being applied and could also negate the brake-shift interlock.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : This condition would cause the stop lamps to remain illuminated when the service brakes are not being applied and could also negate the brake-shift interlock. This could increase the risk of a crash, or risk of a rollaway if the vehicle is inadvertently shifted out of the Park position.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

December 2015 – Nissan issued a Technical Service Bulletin (TSB) applicable to MY13-MY15 Nissan Pathfinder vehicles to aid technicians in diagnosing and repairing stop lamp switch issues.

January 2016 to March 2016 – While the combined warranty rate for MY13-MY15 vehicles was unremarkable, after the TSB was issued, Nissan monitored the field information and studied available warranty data. During this time period, Nissan also updated NHTSA on the TSB and its ongoing warranty analysis.

Early April 2016 – After reviewing the available warranty data, it was determined that the subject vehicles produced before June 2013 had an elevated warranty rate compared to vehicles produced after this date, and also other models subject to a similar TSB. An investigation was launched to determine the potential cause of this increased incident rate. NHTSA was updated on the progress of the investigation.

May 12, 2016 – It was determined that some of the subject vehicles were affected by stop lamp switch assembly process issues.

May 19, 2016 – Nissan decided to conduct a recall campaign to remedy this issue.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Owners of all potentially affected vehicles will be notified to take their vehicle to a Nissan dealer where the dealer will inspect the brake lamp switch for proper installation. If the brake lamp switch is installed incorrectly, it will be re-installed correctly and the stop lamp relay will be replaced with a new one.

Nissan will include a statement in the Part 577 owner notification concerning reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy for the subject vehicles that are no longer under warranty. The statement will be excluded for the subject vehicles that are still 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 at the end of May and will notify all affected owners within 60 days of DIR submission.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

* NR - Not Reported