



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Cory Hoffman
Senior Manager
Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing
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NEF-150SM
17V-619

Subject: Generator Within Hybrid Transaxle may Short

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

This letter serves to acknowledge Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

LEXUS/HS 250 HYBRID/2010

Mfr's Report Date: October 4, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-619

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected: 18,130

Problem Description:

Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing (Toyota) is recalling certain 2010 Lexus HS 250h Hybrid vehicles. A component within the hybrid transaxle assembly may short circuit and result in a reduction or a complete loss of available power for moving the vehicle.

Consequence:

A complete loss of motive power can increase the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Lexus will notify owners, and dealers will replace the hybrid vehicle transaxle assembly, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 20, 2017. Owners may contact 1-800-255-3987. Toyota's number for this recall is HLE.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

We have received Toyota's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Sarah Mcshane who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-7401, or by email at sarah.mcshane@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Timian", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement