#### OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 18V-432

**Manufacturer Name:** Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing

Submission Date: JUN 26, 2018 NHTSA Recall No.: 18V-432 Manufacturer Recall No.: JLF



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Toyota Motor Engineering &

Manufacturing

Address: 6565 Headquarters Drive

Plano TX 75024

Company phone: 1-800-331-4331

# **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: 114,998 Estimated percentage with defect: NR

#### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2007-2011 Lexus GS350

Vehicle Type :
Body Style :
Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information: (1) Although the involved vehicles are within the above production period, not all

vehicles in this range were sold in the U.S. (2) The involved vehicles are equipped with 3.5L V6 2GR-FSE gasoline engine with a fuel injection system containing two fuel pulsation dampers with a certain diaphragm material. Some Toyota or Lexus vehicles are equipped with pulsation dampers containing the same diaphragm material, however the material in those vehicles is exposed to lower temperatures during engine operation than in the involved vehicles due to different engine designs. Other Toyota or Lexus vehicles sold in the U.S. are not equipped with pulsation dampers or the diaphragm material in the dampers are made of different materials. Note: Toyota is unable to provide an estimate of the percentage of vehicles to actually contain the defect. Whether the issue in each case will lead to damage of the diaphragm material in fuel pulsation damper, creating an unreasonable risk to safety, depends on each

vehicle's operating conditions.

Production Dates: JUN 19, 2006 - AUG 28, 2011

Vehicle 2: 2006-2013 Lexus IS350

Vehicle Type :
Body Style :
Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information: (1) Although the involved vehicles are within the above production period, not all

vehicles in this range were sold in the U.S. (2) The involved vehicles are equipped with 3.5L V6 2GR-FSE gasoline engine with a fuel injection system containing two fuel pulsation dampers with a certain diaphragm material. Some Toyota or Lexus vehicles are equipped with pulsation dampers containing the same diaphragm material,

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	Production Dates :	MAY 27, 2005	- MAR 19, 2	013	
	VIN Range 1:		NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential
Vehicle 3: 2007-2011 Lexus GS450h  Vehicle Type: Body Style: Power Train: NR  Descriptive Information: (1) Although the involved vehicles are within the above production vehicles in this range were sold in the U.S. (2) The involved vehicles are with 3.5L V6 2GR-FSE gasoline engine with a fuel injection system conta pulsation dampers with a certain diaphragm material. Some Toyota or I are equipped with pulsation dampers containing the same diaphragm m however the material in those vehicles is exposed to lower temperatures engine operation than in the involved vehicles due to different engine de Toyota or Lexus vehicles sold in the U.S. are not equipped with pulsation the diaphragm material in the dampers are made of different materials. is unable to provide an estimate of the percentage of vehicles to actually defect. Whether the issue in each case will lead to damage of the diaphra in fuel pulsation damper, creating an unreasonable risk to safety, depend vehicle's operating conditions.				olved vehicles are equipped ction system containing two fuel. Some Toyota or Lexus vehicles same diaphragm material, ower temperatures during different engine designs. Other ped with pulsation dampers or ifferent materials. Note: Toyota vehicles to actually contain the mage of the diaphragm material	
	Production Dates:				
	VIN Range 1:	Begin :	NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential
	Vehicle 4 : Vehicle Type : Body Style : Power Train :	2010-2014 Le	xus IS350C		
	Descriptive Information :	: (1) Although the involved vehicles are within the above production period, not all vehicles in this range were sold in the U.S. (2) The involved vehicles are equipped with 3.5L V6 2GR-FSE gasoline engine with a fuel injection system containing two fuel pulsation dampers with a certain diaphragm material. Some Toyota or Lexus vehicles are equipped with pulsation dampers containing the same diaphragm material, however the material in those vehicles is exposed to lower temperatures during			

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in fuel pulsation damper, creating an unreasonable risk to safety, depends on each

vehicle's operating conditions.

Production Dates: NOV 25, 2008 - AUG 05, 2014

VIN Range 1: Begin: NR End: NR

■ Not sequential

# **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: The subject vehicles are equipped with a 3.5L V6 2GR-FSE gasoline engine with

an intake port injection system containing a fuel delivery pipe and two fuel pulsation dampers. The diaphragm material in the fuel pulsation dampers may harden over time due to a chemical process involving amine in the fuel, higher ethanol content in fuels used in countries such as the U.S., Canada, and China, and high temperatures. If this were to occur, cracks could develop on the diaphragm, causing fuel to leak. A fuel leak in the presence of an ignition

source can increase the risk of a vehicle fire.

FMVSS 1: NR

FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: Cracks could develop on the diaphragm, causing fuel to leak. A fuel leak in the

presence of an ignition source can increase the risk of a vehicle fire.

Description of the Cause: NR

Identification of Any Warning NR

that can Occur:

### **Supplier Identification:**

# **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Maruyasu Industries Co., Ltd. Address: 2-7-11 Shirakane, Showa-ku

Nagoya-shi, Aichi FOREIGN STATES 466-0058

Country: Japan

#### **Chronology:**

Please see attached Part 573 Defect Information Report for the full chronology.

## **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: All known owners of the subject vehicles will be notified by first class mail

to return their vehicles to a Lexus dealer. The dealers will replace the fuel delivery pipe with a new one containing improved pulsation dampers. The owner letter will instruct vehicle owners who have paid to have this

condition remedied prior to this campaign to seek reimbursement

pursuant to Lexus's General Reimbursement Plan.

How Remedy Component Differs Recalled component name: Damper Assy, Fuel Pressure Pulsation,

from Recalled Component: Recalled component description: Fuel Pulsation Damper, Part number:

23270-31020

Identify How/When Recall Condition NR

was Corrected in Production:

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Notifications to owners of the affected vehicles will occur by early August,

2018. A copy of the draft owner notification letter will be submitted as soon as available. Notifications to distributors/dealers will be sent on June 26, 2018. Copies of dealer communications will be submitted as

they are issued.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: JUN 26, 2018 - JUN 26, 2018 Planned Owner Notification Date: AUG 09, 2018 - AUG 09, 2018

\* NR - Not Reported