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Nissan Diesel America, Inc.

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Via Fed-Ex

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

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Re: Nissan Diesel America, Inc.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is Nissan Diesel America, Inc. defect information report pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 573.6.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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SECTION 573.6 INFORMATION REPORT

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 573.6, Nissan Diesel America, Inc. ("NDA") submits the following information:

1. **Manufacturer:** Nissan Diesel Motor Co., Ltd.
1 - 1 Agoe-shi, Saitama 362-8523, Japan
- Importer / designated agent:** Nissan Diesel America, Inc.
5930 West Campus Circle Drive
Irving, Texas 75063
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2. Model year 2003 UD1800, UD2000 and UD2300 medium duty trucks produced between June 2002 and July 2002. This encompasses the following by model and vehicle identification numbers:

	Starting Sequence	thru	Ending Sequence
UD1800	JNAMA43H53AK70088		JNAMA43H23AN70090
UD2000	JNAMB33HX3AF70106		JNAMB33H53AE70124
UD2300	JNALC33H83AN70112		JNALC43H93AH70117

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4. Less than 1.0%
5. A steering coupler shaft is utilized between the steering column assembly and the steering gear box assembly. This coupler shaft has a flexible yoke with a pinch bolt clamp at each end to secure the shaft to each assembly. The flexible yokes on the end that attaches to the gearbox may develop a crack near the pinch bolt clamp caused by improper heat treatment of the yoke during manufacturing between June 2002 and July 2002.
6. One yoke was found cracked during vehicle assembly inspection and prompted an investigation by the manufacturer.
7. Inapplicable.
8. The intended remedial action as follows:

All vehicles built within the above listed manufacturing dates will have the steering coupler shaft replaced prior to delivery to owners.

No owner notification letter will be required. All subject vehicles are in NDA or dealer inventory and will be completed prior to delivery to the owner.
9. All notices, bulletins, etc. will be provided to NHTSA.
10. Owner notification letter not required.
11. Nissan Diesel America, Inc. will notify NHTSA promptly if Nissan Diesel America, Inc. assigns a campaign number that differs from NHTSA's identification number.