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February 4, 2003

03V-031 ①α④

Mr. Kenneth N. Weinstein  
Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance - NSA-01  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
400 Seventh Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Lexus GX470 Incorrect GVWR  
Part 573, Noncompliance Information Report

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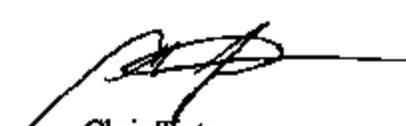
Dear Mr. Weinstein:

In accordance with the requirements of Title 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301 "Motor Vehicle Safety Act" Sec. 30166, on behalf of Toyota Motor Corporation ["TMC"], please find enclosed the attached Noncompliance Information Report for certain 2003 model year Lexus GX 470 vehicles.

Should you have any questions about this report, please contact either myself or Mr. Sid Yokoi at (202) 775-1707.

Sincerely,

TOYOTA MOTOR NORTH AMERICA, INC.



Chris Tinto  
Director

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Attachment

## NONCOMPLIANCE INFORMATION REPORT

1. Vehicle Manufacturer Name:

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Toyota Motor Corporation ["TMC"]  
1, Toyota-cho, Toyota-city,  
Aichi-ken, 471-8571 Japan

Affiliated U.S. Sales Company:

Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc. ["TMS"]  
19001 South Western Avenue  
Torrance, CA 90509

2. Identification of Affected Vehicles:

Based on production records, we have determined the affected vehicle population as set forth in the table below.

Make Car Line	Model Year	Manufac- turer	VIN		Production Period
			VDS	VIS	
Lexus GX470	2003	TMC	BT20X	30001032-30007365	October 28, 2002 through January 22, 2003

Note: Although the involved vehicles are within the above VIN ranges, not all vehicles in these ranges were sold in the U.S.

3. Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Affected:

5,878 units

4. Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Actually Experience Malfunction:

100 %

5. Description of Noncompliance:

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An error resulted in incorrect GVWR data (i.e. 6,100 lbs) printed on the certification label. The correct GVWR is 6,000 lbs. Therefore the certification label does not satisfy information requirements described in the standards of 49 CFR part 567.

6. Description of Corrective Repair Action:

All known owners of the subject vehicles will be notified by first class mail to return their vehicle to a Lexus dealer for exchange of the certification label.

7. Recall Schedule:

Mailing of the owner notifications will commence in mid March, and be completed around early April 2003.

Copies of the owner notification and dealer instructions will be submitted as soon as they are available.

Web Release Date: 04/01/03

Make: LEXUS	Model: GX 470	Year: 2003
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:	Recall Date: February 4, 2003	
Component: Equipment: Other: Labels		
Potential Number of Units Affected: 5,878		
Manufactured: The affected GX470 vehicles were produced from late October, 2002 to late January, 2003.		
Summary: 5,878 Lexus GX 470 vehicles may have the incorrect Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) printed on the Certification Regulation Label. The GVWR is incorrectly reflected on the label as 6,100 lbs. The correct GVWR should be 6,000 lbs.		
Consequence: The Certification Regulation Label does not meet the information requirements as described in 49 CFR Part 567.		
Remedy: Owners of the specific 5,878 vehicles will be notified by early April, 2003. As each label is VIN specific, owners will be requested to contact their local Lexus dealer first to place an order for the corrected Certification Regulation label. Once the label has arrived at the dealership, the owner will be contacted for label replacement.  Owners that believe that the dealer or Lexus has failed or is unable to remedy the non-compliance within a reasonable time may contact Lexus at 1-800-255-3987.		
Note: Also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-DASH-2-DOT (1-888-327-4236).		

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