



By email

Ms. Jennifer Timian, Chief of Recall Management Division  
Office of Defect Investigations  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave SE  
Washington DC 20590

Subject: Part 573 Notice of Automobili Lamborghini S.p.A. Determination of Noncompliance

Date: 12/04/2012

Dear Ms. Timian:

This report serves as Automobili Lamborghini SpA's notification to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that a non-compliance with a Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard exists in certain MY 2012 Lamborghini Aventador vehicles. Lamborghini decided that this non-compliance existed in certain vehicles based upon the content of NHTSA's email to Lamborghini dated November 26, 2012.

I. Manufacturer, Designated Agent, and Other Chain of Distribution Information

Manufacturer's corporate name: Automobili Lamborghini S.P.A.

Vehicle brand or trademark name owner(s) (where applicable): Lamborghini

Designated Agent (imported vehicles):

- Name: Lance Tunick
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Name, address, email, and phone and fax numbers for the person(s) to whom inquiries about this report should be directed:

- Name: Renè Suelzner.
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II. Identification of the Recall Population and Its Size

Make	Automobili Lamborghini S.P.A
Model:	Aventador
Model Year(s):	2012
Inclusive dates of manufacture (month and year):	
From	07/15/2011
To	04/20/2012
Body Style/Type (for non-passenger cars):	Coupè
Other information necessary to describe these vehicles (e.g., VIN range, GVWR or class for trucks, displacement for motorcycles, and number of passengers for buses):	
From Vin	CLA00091
To:	CLA00793
Total number of these vehicles:	144

The percentage of the recall population you estimate actually contain the defect or noncompliance: 100%



### III. Description of the Defect or Noncompliance and Chronology of Events

Describe the defect or noncompliance, including a summary and detailed description of the nature and physical location (if appropriate) of the defect or noncompliance. Graphic aids should be provided where necessary.

Supplier mistakenly disabled vertical aim on the aiming mechanism rather than disabling horizontal aim and therefore the vehicles do not comply with the FMVSS 108 S10.18.4

- November 7 2012                      Supplier notified Lamborghini of the non-compliant batch of headlamps.
- November 9 2012                      Lamborghini published a technical bulletin (L834-A.09.12 US headlight adjustment).
- November 16 2012                      Lamborghini received an inquiry from NHTSA regarding possible non-compliance.
- November 29 2012                      Lamborghini decided to submit a Part 573 non-compliance report.

Describe the safety consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Vertical aim cannot be accomplished without disassembly the luggage compartment aesthetic cover and adequate tools are required in order to perform the regulation. Moreover horizontal aim is admitted. This could result in the non-possible headlamps vertical adjustment and a possible horizontal.

Headlamp aiming is performed at the end of Lamborghini production line (in the plant), and in almost all cases the aiming is performed at Lamborghini dealerships by qualified personnel. For those reasons the aiming system non-compliance here should not present a safety issue.

Identify any warning(s) that may precede the defect or noncompliance condition.

None



For non-compliances, identify the test results and other information considered in determining the existence of the noncompliance, and provide the date of each test and observation indicative of that noncompliance.

The determination of noncompliance is based on a visual inspection of the headlamp system and no testing is necessary to determine compliance with S10.18.4 of FMVSS 108.

#### IV. The Remedy Program and Its Schedule

Describe the program for remedying the defect or noncompliance, including the plan for reimbursing those owners and purchasers who may have incurred costs to remedy the defect or noncompliance before receiving the manufacturer's notification concerning that defect or noncompliance. Also include, where applicable, details with dates concerning any production remedy that was conducted or will be conducted.

The noncompliance remedy consists of reworking headlights as described in the attached instructions in order to enable vertical aiming and disable horizontal aiming.

Customers will be contacted via priority mail inviting them to take their cars to our franchised workshops where headlights will be updated free of charge. Lamborghini shall reimburse an owner or purchaser who incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the problem addressed by the recall within a reasonable time in advance of the manufacturer's notification of owners, purchasers and dealers, in accordance with § 573.13.

Provide the estimated date(s) on which owner and purchaser notifications will be issued and the estimated date(s) for completion of those notifications.

Customer notification will start on December 17, 2012 and shall be completed by December 28, 2012

Provide A representative copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer or purchaser. The estimated date(s) on which dealer and distributor notifications will be issued and the estimated date(s) for completion of those notifications.

Dealers have been notified by bulletin attached dated November 9, 2012  
Dealer will receive the December 7, 2012 an additional note.

The manufacturer's campaign number: LB834-R.09.12



**\*\*\*\*\* IMPORTANT REMINDERS \*\*\*\*\***

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Drafts to be submitted to the attention of the Recall Management Division via email to RMD.ODI@dot.gov.

A representative copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser, must be submitted to NHTSA no later than five days after they are initially sent. This requirement applies both to the final version of the notification letter that is sent to owners and purchasers, as well as the final version that is sent to dealers and distributors. It also includes any follow-up notifications issued concerning a recall. The representative copies of the letters sent to owners and purchasers, and dealers and distributors, must be submitted via certified mail. It is strongly recommended, however, that additional representative copies be submitted via facsimile on (202) 366-7882, or email to RMD.ODI@dot.gov, so that the submission can be more promptly reviewed. All submissions should be conspicuously labeled with the appropriate NHTSA-assigned recall number.