



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

# ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE08-067  
Date Opened: 12/02/2008  
Principal Investigator: Michael Lee  
Subject: Air Bag Warning Lamp Illumination

Manufacturer: Nissan North America, Inc.  
Products: 2003-2005 Infiniti Q45  
Population: 5,759 (estimated)

Problem Description: Air bag warning lamp illumination due to failures of the side air bag modules.

## FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	0		
Crashes/Fires:	0		
Injury Incidents:	0		
# Injuries:	0		
Fatality Incidents:	0		
# Fatalities:	0		
Other:	0		

Description of Other:

Action: A Preliminary Evaluation has been opened.

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### Summary:

The Office of Defects Investigation (ODI) is opening this investigation based on a review of Nissan's air bag related warranty claims reported under the Early Warning Reporting Data System. As of June 2008, Nissan's warranty shows an extremely high rate of claims for the air bag systems in the subject vehicles. ODI has determined that many of the warranty claims may be related to the illumination of the air bag warning lamp due to failures of the side air bag modules.

ODI will focus this investigation on whether or not the failure of the side air bag module may cause a non-deployment or improper deployment of the side air bags or any other safety concerns in the subject vehicles.