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**National Highway
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Washington, D.C. 20590

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Mr. Enzo Francesconi
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Ferrari North America, Inc.
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Dear Mr. Francesconi:

Ferrari North America, Inc. (Ferrari) is requested, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30165, 30166, and 30119, to renotify owners involved in safety recall 03V-142 who have not had their vehicles corrected or otherwise accounted for. This recall involves 2,008 MY 1987 through 1991 Ferrari Testarossa; 1991 through 1995 Ferrari 512TR; and 1995 Ferrari 512M which the passive restraint system may not function correctly. The remedy for this recall campaign was to have the dealers replace all the main components of the passive seat belt system. Owner notification began on April 24, 2003. Through the second quarter of 2004, Ferrari's fifth reporting quarter, Ferrari reports that of the 2,008 vehicles involved, 899 have been remedied, resulting in a completion rate of 45 percent.

Ferrari should conduct the owner renotification in accordance with the guidelines listed below.

- Before conducting the owner renotification, Ferrari should obtain an updated owner list, for this recall campaign, based on current state motor vehicle registration records.

- Ferrari's proposed owner renotification letter for this recall must meet the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.10, "Follow-up Notification," and must be submitted to NHTSA for review before owner renotification begins. Part 577.10(e)(1) specifically requires that the renotification letter be identified as a ". . . follow-up to an earlier communication."

- In addition to the six quarterly status reports required under 49 CFR Part 573.6, "Quarterly Reports," Ferrari is requested to file three additional quarterly status reports.

- Furnish a proposed schedule for conducting the owner renotification that includes the following information:

  a. the date on which the search of current state motor vehicle registration records will be initiated in order to update the original owner list;
  b. the approximate date on which the revised owner list will be available to initiate owner renotification;
  c. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will begin; and
  d. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will be completed (if the owner renotification is to be staggered, give the beginning and ending owner renotification date for each segment).

Ferrari's renotification schedule and a draft of the proposed owner renotification letter must be submitted to this office by November 10, 2004.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Kelly Schuler of my staff at (202) 366-5227, by fax at (202) 366-7882, or by e-mail at kschuler@nhtsa.dot.gov.

Sincerely,

George Person, Chief
Recall Management Division
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Enforcement