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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215
06V-348

Subject: FMVSS 135/BRAKE FLUID RESERVOIR CAPS

Dear MR. SLAVETER:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent updated noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:
NISSAN/VERSA/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-348

Mfg's Updated Report Date: September 22, 2006

Components: SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

Potential Number of Units Affected: 13,184

Summary:

CERTAIN SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES FAIL TO CONFORM TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 135, 'PASSENGER CAR BRAKE SYSTEMS.' THE BRAKE FLUID RESERVOIR CAP IS MISSING PART OF THE REQUIRED BRAKE FLUID WARNING.

Consequence:

THE PURPOSE OF THIS STANDARD IS TO ENSURE SAFE BRAKING PERFORMANCE UNDER NORMAL AND EMERGENCY DRIVING CONDITIONS.

Remedy:

NEW BRAKE FLUID RESERVOIR CAPS WILL BE MAILED TO VEHICLE OWNERS ALONG WITH INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSTALLATION. THE LETTERS WILL INSTRUCT OWNERS WHO DO NOT WANT TO REPLACE THEIR OWN BRAKE FLUID RESERVOIR CAP TO TAKE THE CAR TO A DEALER FOR THE REPAIR. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN BY OCTOBER 23, 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT NISSAN AT 1-800-647-7261.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

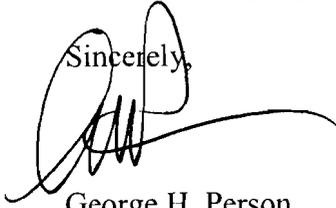
You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners, dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available.

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin by October 23, 2006. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before January 30, 2007.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@dot.gov or delia.lopez@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Person', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement