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NVS-215paw  
07V-063

Subject: MALFUNCTIONING BRAKE LIGHT SWITCHES

Dear MR. MADDOX:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent amended defect information report which is adding MY 2003-2005 Passat vehicles and an additional 212,000 vehicles. 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:**

VOLKSWAGEN/GOLF/1999-2006  
VOLKSWAGEN/GTI/1999-2006  
VOLKSWAGEN/JETTA/2001-2005  
VOLKSWAGEN/NEW BEETLE/2001-2007  
VOLKSWAGEN/R32/2004  
VOLKSWAGEN/PASSAT/2003-2005

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 07V-063

**Mfg's Report Date:** May 4, 2007

**Components:** EXTERIOR LIGHTING: BRAKE LIGHTS: SWITCH

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 1,002,000

**Summary:**

ON CERTAIN PASSENGER, WAGON, AND CONVERTIBLE VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH OR WITHOUT CRUISE CONTROL, A BRAKE LIGHT SWITCH MAY MALFUNCTION IF IT WAS INSTALLED INCORRECTLY.

**Consequence:**

THE BRAKE LIGHTS COULD BECOME INOPERATIVE, OR REMAIN ON. FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE PROPER SIGNAL WHEN BRAKING COULD LEAD TO A CRASH WITHOUT WARNING.

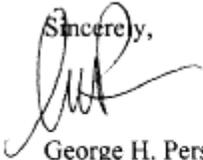
**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSTALL THE NEWLY DESIGNED BRAKE LIGHT SWITCH FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR BEFORE APRIL 27, 2007, AND WILL BE CONDUCTED IN SEVERAL STAGGERED MAILINGS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 21, 2007. VEHICLES WITHIN THE MAKE, MODEL, AND MODEL YEAR OF THIS POPULATION MAY BE INVOLVED IN EITHER THIS RECALL OR 06V-183, BUT NOT BOTH. THE REMEDY IS THE SAME FOR EACH RECALL. VOLKSWAGEN DEALERS WILL APPLY THE REMEDY BASED ON THE VIN NUMBER OF THE VEHICLE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT VW AT 1-800-822-8987.

**Notes:**

VOLKSWAGEN RECALL NO. N4. CUSTOMERS MAY 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).

Sincerely,



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Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement