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07V-334
(2 Pages)Mr. Daniel Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attention: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, DC 20590**Subject: Notification of Recall**
2006 Model Year Audi A6 Avant Automatic Rear Lid Software

Dear Mr. Smith,

This information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (49 CFR 573 (2007)).

573.6 (c) (1) **Manufacturer's Name**
AUDI AG**Importer**
Volkswagen of America, Inc. (VWoA)573.6 (c) (2) **Identification of Vehicles**Make : Audi
Line : A6 Avant
Model Years : 2006
Month/Year
of Manufacture : May 2005 – December 2005
VIN Numbers : WAU___4F_6N017015 – WAU___4F_6N128643
of Affected
Vehicles
Other
Identification : None573.6 (c) (3) **Number of Vehicles Potentially Containing the Defect**

An estimated total of 1,021 vehicles are affected by this recall in the United States.

573.6 (c) (4) **Percentage of Vehicles Actually Containing Defect**

All of the affected vehicles contain the defective software.

573.6 (c) (5) **Description of Defect**
The vehicle's automatic rear lid includes an electric motor and clutch that work in conjunction with two gas struts to open and close the rear lid, including a manual close function. In rare cases if one of the struts has a total loss of pressure the resultant slow movement of the rear lid is interpreted by the software as an intended manual close, and the motor clutch releases to close the rear lid immediately. This can result in an unintended rapid closing of the rear lid with a risk of personal injury.

573.6 (c) (6) **Basis for Determination**
Audi recently completed an investigation resulting from consumer complaints received by AUDI AG.

Date of determination: July 16, 2007

573.6 (c) (8) **Proposed Remedial Program**
VWoA plans to notify all owners of affected vehicles and will instruct these owners to arrange an appointment with an authorized Audi dealer. The dealer will install new software at no cost to consumers.

Mailing dates are anticipated as follows:

Dealers: On or about September 14, 2007

Owners: On or about September 14, 2007

573.6 (c) (10) **Submission of Communications**
A representative copy of all bulletins and other communications sent to dealers will be submitted within five (5) days of dealer notification.

573.6 (c) (11) **Proposed Owner Letter**
A draft of the customer communications will be submitted more than five (5) days prior to owner notification for review.

573.6 (c) (12) **Manufacturer's Recall Code**
VWoA has assigned the code "JV" to this recall.

Sincerely,



John Maddox
Product Compliance Officer
Volkswagen of America