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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
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**Subject: Safety Recall Notification on the Low Pressure Fuel Return Hose  
Model Years: 2012-2013; Models: FEC52, FEC72, FEC92, FGB72  
MFTA Safety Recall – C1005410 Low Pressure Fuel Return Hose**

Dear Ms. Morgan:

Pursuant to 49 CFR, Part 573, Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America, Inc. (MFTA) herewith files a defect and noncompliance information report concerning the low pressure fuel return hose on certain 2012 and 2013 model year FEC52, FEC72, FEC92 and FGB72 Mitsubishi Fuso trucks for all states. The contents of this report are arranged to follow the sequence set forth in Section 573.5.

The Dealer Recall Information Bulletin and a sample of the letter that will be sent to each Mitsubishi Fuso truck owner affected by this recall will be forwarded to you upon completion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William P. Mohr".

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Enclosure: As stated

Defect and Noncompliance Information Report

1. The manufacturer's name:

Mitsubishi Fuso Truck & Bus Corporation (MFTBC), Japan

2. Identification of the vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment potentially containing the defect or noncompliance:

| <b>Models</b> | <b>Model Year Range</b> |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| FEC52         | 2012-2013               |
| FEC72         | 2012-2013               |
| FEC92         | 2012-2013               |
| FGB72         | 2012                    |

- a) Inclusive dates of manufacture:

| <b>Models</b> | <b>Vehicle Production</b>                  |
|---------------|--|
| FEC52         | February 11, 2011 through January 12, 2012 |
| FEC72         | February 7, 2011 through March 16, 2012    |
| FEC92         | February 9, 2011 through March 13, 2012    |
| FGB72         | June 22, 2011 through December 14, 2011    |

- b) GVWR or class of truck:

| <b>Models</b> | <b>GVWR</b> | <b>Class</b> |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| FEC52         | 12,500      | 3            |
| FEC72         | 15,995      | 4            |
| FEC92         | 17,995      | 5            |
| FGB72         | 14,050      | 4            |

- c) Names of the components:

Low pressure fuel return hose

3. The total number of vehicles or items of equipment potentially containing the defect or noncompliance, and where available, the number of vehicles or items of equipment in each group identified pursuant to paragraph (c) (2) of the section:

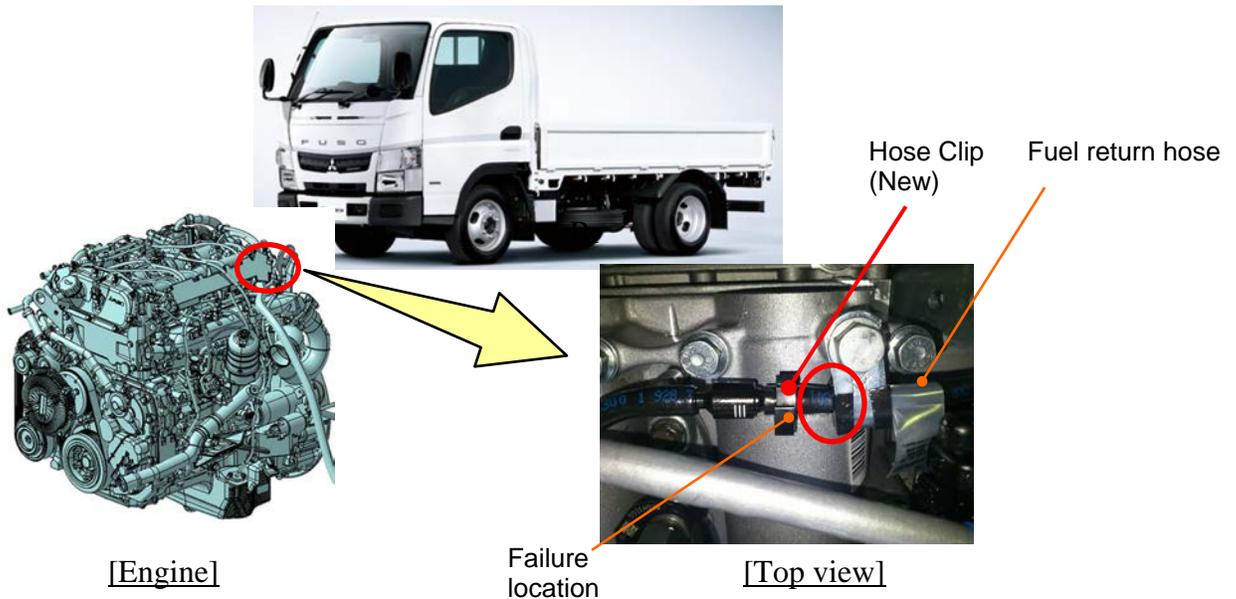
| <b>Models</b> | <b># of U.S. Vehicles</b> | <b># of Canada Vehicles</b> |      |
|---------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------|
| FEC52         | 828                       | 23                          |      |
| FEC72         | 2853                      | 297                         |      |
| FEC92         | 1021                      | 288                         |      |
| FGB72         | 183                       | 26                          |      |
| <b>Totals</b> | 4885                      | 634                         | 5519 |

4. The percentage of vehicles or items of equipment specified pursuant to paragraph (c) (2) of the section estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance:

Unknown

5. A description of the defect or noncompliance, including both a brief summary and a detailed description, with graphic aids as necessary, of the nature and physical location (if applicable) of the defect or noncompliance:

On certain affected vehicles, the low pressure fuel return hose and filter may have been improperly routed at the hose clamp near the filter. This could allow the fuel hose to slip off of the filter, causing a fuel leak. In the worst case, the leaked fuel could come in contact with high temperature components and catch fire.



6. In the case of defect, a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with their date of receipt:

On August 24, 2012, MFTBC notified MFTA that MFTBC had decided to conduct a Safety Recall Campaign in the U.S. and Canadian markets.

After deliberate study of failed parts, MFTBC determined that the failure is caused by improper routing of the low pressure fuel return hose and filter at the hose clamp near the filter. This could allow the fuel hose to slip off of the filter, causing a fuel leak. In the worst case, the leaked fuel could come in contact with high temperature components and catch fire. MFTA received zero (0) Warranty Service Claims (WSCs) or Product Quality Reports (PQRs) relating to affected vehicles. MFTA has received no notice of accident or injury relating to the subject component.

7. In the case of noncompliance, the test results or other data on the basis of which the manufacturer determined the existence of the noncompliance:

Not applicable

8. A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance:

The hose and filter routing will be corrected and a hose clip will be added to further secure the fuel return hose.

Following is MFTA's proposed campaign schedule:

Estimated parts arrival date: October 11, 2012

Estimated dealer notification: October 15, 2012

Estimated start of customer notification: October 19, 2012

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer or purchaser:

MFTA will provide NHTSA with a final copy of all related documents.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely,



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c: Y. Okada (MFTBC)

Summary Report of All Warranty Claims, Field or Service Reports,  
and Other Information, with their Date of Receipt

Warranty Service Claims (WSC)

None

Product Quality and Field Reports (PQR/FR)

None