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May 13, 2015

Mr. Frank S. Borris II
Acting Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-210)
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Recall 14V-655
Certain Toyota and Lexus Vehicle Front Passenger Airbags
Part 573, Amended Defect Information Report

Dear Mr. Borris:

In connection with the above referenced matter, this amends Toyota's Defect Information Report dated October 19, 2014. For the reasons discussed in the attached amended report, Toyota has decided to expand the range of affected vehicles through the 2007 model year (through the 2006 model year for Tundra vehicles). This will provide us a robust collection of parts for the continued investigation that was discussed with the agency.

We understand that NHTSA will assign a new recall number to this amendment. To that end, we propose to track the completions of the newly added vehicles covered by this amendment under the newly assigned number, leaving the pre-amendment population under 14V-655. The vehicles identified in the attached amendment are those in the expanded population only. We will discuss this further with the Recall Management Division.

Should you have any questions about this report, please contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Saadat". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "A" and a long, sweeping underline.

Abbas Saadat
Vice President
Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing
North America, Inc.

cc: J. Timian

AMENDED DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT (14V-655)

1. Vehicle Manufacturer Name:

Toyota Motor Corporation ["TMC"]
1, Toyota-cho, Toyota-city, Aichi-pref., 471-8571, Japan

Toyota Motor Manufacturing Canada Inc. ["TMMC"]
1055 Fountain Street North, Cambridge, Ontario, Canada N3H 5K2

Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Indiana, Inc. ["TMMI"]
4000 Tulip Tree Dr., Princeton, IN 47670-4000

New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc. ["NUMMI"]
45500 Fremont Boulevard, Fremont, CA 94538-6368

Affiliated U.S. Sales Company

Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc. ["TMS"]
19001 South Western Avenue, Torrance, CA 90501

General Motors Corporation Global Headquarters ["GM"]
100 Renaissance Center Drive, P. O. Box 100 Detroit, MI 48265

Manufacturer of Front Passenger Air Bag:

TK HOLDINGS INC.
2500 Takata Drive, Auburn Hills, MI 48326
Phone: 248-373-2897

Country of Origin: U.S. and Mexico

2. Identification of Involved Vehicles:

Make/ Car Line	Model Year	Manufac- turer	VIN		Production Period
			VDS	VIS	
Lexus/ SC	2005 thru 2007	TMC	TBD	TBD	TBD
Toyota/ Corolla	2005 thru 2007	TMC TMMC NUMMI	TBD	TBD	TBD
Toyota/ Corolla Matrix	2005 thru 2007	TMMC	TBD	TBD	TBD
Toyota/ Sequoia	2005 thru 2007	TMMI	TBD	TBD	TBD
Toyota/ Tundra	2005 thru 2006	TMMI	TBD	TBD	TBD
Pontiac/ Vibe	2005 thru 2007	NUMMI	TBD	TBD	TBD

- NOTE: (1) The above referenced vehicles are those in the expanded population only.
 (2) Although the involved vehicles are within the above VIN range, not all vehicles in this range were sold in the U.S. or are included in the campaign.

3. Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved:

Approximately 300,000 Toyota and Lexus vehicles. The population of Pontiac Vibe vehicles in the HAH areas is yet to be determined.

4. Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Actually Contain the Defect:

Unknown

5. Description of Problem:

This is an amendment to Recall 14V-655 involving vehicles located in consistently high absolute humidity (HAH) areas, including vehicles that are currently registered, were ever registered, or were originally sold in: Florida and adjacent counties in Southern Georgia, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, the U. S. Virgin Island, Guam, Saipan, American Samoa, as well as the coastal areas of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas.

These vehicles are equipped with front passenger air bag inflators (Takata-designated PSPI or PSPI-L) which could be susceptible to rupture and the front passenger air bag could deploy abnormally in a crash, increasing the risk of injury to the occupant. The cause of the potential for ruptured inflators and the influence of high absolute humidity are under investigation.

(Tundra and Sequoia vehicles through model year 2004 are equipped with Takata-designated SPI inflators; all of these vehicles in the HAH areas are already included in Recall 14V-655).

6. Chronology of Principal Events:

October 19, 2014

Toyota submitted a Part 573 report to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) concerning vehicles in high absolute humidity (HAH) areas. NHTSA assigned this recall number 14V-655.

October 2014- present

During the course of conducting this recall, after inflators in owners' vehicles were replaced at dealers, the inflators were shipped directly to TK Holdings in Michigan for retention and, in some cases, evaluation and testing as part of the investigation by Takata to determine root cause.

February 13, 2015

Takata reported to Toyota that, during ballistic testing of an inflator that had been returned from a dealer in Puerto Rico from a model year 2003 vehicle, a rupture occurred. After further analysis of the inflator by Takata, it was discovered that the particular inflator was produced in May 2006. Toyota determined that the inflator had been originally installed in a 2006 model year vehicle. Toyota began an investigation to determine how the 2006 inflator became installed in a 2003 vehicle. This is the only known rupture of an inflator produced outside of the range of vehicles covered by 14V-655 in the HAH area.

March 4, 2015

Toyota met with representatives of NHTSA's Office of Defects Investigation. It discussed, among other things, inflator test results from the U.S. and Japan markets and its plans for the collection and continued evaluation of inflators outside of the range covered by existing recalls. It also discussed the status of its investigation of the 2006 inflator installed in a 2003 vehicle.

Toyota advised the agency that it planned to undertake a collection of inflators from customers' vehicles in the HAH area outside of the range of the affected vehicle population of recall 14V-655 to attempt to determine whether such inflators might also be susceptible to high absolute humidity and/or have the potential for rupture.

March 2015- May 2015

Toyota continued its investigation of the 2006 inflator. It discovered that the vehicle in which the inflator was originally installed had been salvaged in 2010 by an insurance company and sold. The purchaser of the 2006 salvaged vehicle also owned a 2003 vehicle, and he installed the 2006 inflator in the 2003 vehicle. The circumstances surrounding this installation, including the conditions experienced by the 2006 inflator prior to its use in the 2003 vehicle, could not be determined.

May 11, 2015

As a result of the uncertainty surrounding the history of the 2006 inflator installed in a 2003 vehicle in Puerto, Rico and the continued desire to evaluate inflators outside of the range of vehicles presently covered by 14V-655 in the HAH areas, Toyota decided to expand the coverage of 14V-655.

7. Description of Corrective Repair Action:

All known owners of the affected Toyota and Lexus vehicles will be notified by first class mail to return their vehicles to a Toyota or Lexus dealer. The dealer will replace the front passenger airbag inflator with a newly manufactured one.

General Motors will notify NHTSA separately of its repair and notification schedule.

Reimbursement Plan for pre-notification remedies

The owner letter will instruct vehicle owners who have paid to have this condition remedied prior to this campaign to seek reimbursement pursuant to Toyota's General Reimbursement Plan.

Reimbursement Plan for pre-notification remedies for General Motors Vehicles (Pontiac Vibe)

Pursuant to 577.11, GM will provide reimbursement to owners for repairs according to the plan submitted on May 23, 2013.

8. Recall Schedule:

Toyota will provide a draft copy of the owner's letter and a separate schedule of the owner notification mailing shortly.

General Motors will notify NHTSA separately of its owner mailing schedule and supply a copy of the owner letter at that time.

9. Distributor/Dealer Notification Schedule:

Notifications to distributors/dealers will be sent on May 13, 2015. Copies of dealer communications will be submitted as they are issued.