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Mr. Frank S. Borris II
Acting Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-210)
Room W48-302
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Borris:

We are transmitting the enclosed Defect Information Report in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573. A voluntary safety recall campaign will be initiated and your office provided with the notices. The vehicles subject to this notice have already been placed on a quality assurance hold. However, Nissan plans to issue a formal recall notification to dealers shortly. Nissan intends to commence owner notification as early as possible in August 2015 and will provide the agency with draft owner letter.

Very truly,



Donald Neff
Manager,
Technical Compliance

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DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT

1. Manufacturer:

Nissan North America, Inc.

2. Vehicles Potentially Involved:

Nissan has determined that a subset of Model Year 2016 Nissan Maxima vehicles manufactured from March 19, 2015 (start of production) to June 2, 2015 at the Smyrna, TN plant are affected.

Nissan is still continuing its investigation into whether this issue possibly affects certain other Nissan vehicles equipped with similar fuel tanks and expects to provide an additional update to NHTSA as quickly as possible.

The fuel tank supplier is:

Plastic Omnium-Anderson
Auto Inergy Division
5100 Old Pearman Dairy Road
Anderson, SC 29265

Jim Hogg
Plant Director, Anderson SC
Auto Inergy Division
Mobile: (864)-245-4707

3. Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved:

Approximately 5,458

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

Unknown

5. Description of the Defect:

Nissan is continuing to investigate this issue. Preliminarily, Nissan has determined that certain Maxima vehicles might contain fuel sending units that may not have been affixed to the fuel tank correctly due to a

manufacturing process variation at the fuel tank supplier. As a result, the O-ring between the sending unit and fuel tank may not have been seated correctly at the time of assembly, potentially causing the fuel sending unit to not properly seal against the fuel tank opening. If this condition is present, it can increase the potential risk of a fuel leak in the event of a crash, increasing the risk of injury to vehicle occupants.

6. Chronology of Principal Events:

Nissan will supplement the chronology when it is available.

7. Description of Corrective Action:

Nissan intends to notify potentially affected owners as quickly as possible. Nissan is currently confirming the appropriate remedy for this issue and will supplement this notice with the description of the corrective action as quickly as possible.

8. Copy of Notices:

Copies of all notices will be provided to NHTSA as they become available.