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February 24, 2022

Mr. Jeff Giuseppe
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
Room W48-302
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Giuseppe:

We are transmitting the enclosed Non-Compliance Information Report in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573. A voluntary recall campaign will be initiated and your office provided with the notices.

Very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derek Latta", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Derek Latta
Senior Manager,
Technical Compliance

Encl.

NONCOMPLIANCE INFORMATION REPORT

1. Manufacturer:

Nissan North America, Inc., Smyrna plant

2. Vehicles Potentially Involved:

Approximately twenty-one (21) Model Year 2022 Nissan Pathfinder and INFINITI QX60 vehicles manufactured at the Smyrna, TN plant during the manufacturing ranges below:

| <u>Model Year/Model</u> | <u>Dates of Manufacture</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| MY 2022 Nissan Pathfinder | November 3, 2021 to November 19, 2021 |
| MY 2022 INFINITI QX60 | November 30, 2021 |

Based on the Tier 1 (Adient) supplier records, the issue occurred during the reinstallation process of a limited number of second-row seat tracks for certain MY 2022 Pathfinder and QX60 vehicles, manufactured during the specified time periods outlined above. No other Nissan or INFINITI vehicles are affected.

The name, description and part number of the recalled components are below:

| <u>Part Name</u> | <u>Part Description</u> | <u>Part Number</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Bolt | Bolt | 88921 6TA2A |

The second-row seat track supplier (Tier 1) for the affected vehicles:

Adient US-LLC

Supplier Code: 1004300

Address: 1501 Molloy Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37129, USA.

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3. Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved:

Approximately Twenty-One (21) MY 2022 Nissan Pathfinder and INFINITI QX60 vehicles are potentially affected.

| <u>Model Year/Model</u> | <u>Volume of Production</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| MY 2022 Nissan Pathfinder | 20 |
| MY 2022 INFINITI QX60 | 1 |

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

23.8%

5. Description of the Noncompliance:

Assembly issues during the reinstallation process for the subject second-row seat tracks at the Tier 1 supplier (Adient) may have resulted in a missing mounting bolt. If a mounting bolt is missing, the seat track may move in the event of a crash, increasing the risk of injury. This condition is noncompliant and Nissan will supplement the applicable FMVSS standard.

6. Basis for Determination of the Existence of a Noncompliance

December 16, 2021 – A plant technician noticed a missing bolt in the rail of a vehicle's second row seat when he tilted the seat forward to make a carpet adjustment to the third-row floor. Nissan initiated containment measures and immediately began an investigation.

December 2021 through January 2022 – The Tier 2 supplier and Nissan conducted their respective investigations. During this time, both Nissan and the supplier conducted yard audits totaling 27, 731 seat tracks and pursued investigation of the issue with the Tier 1 supplier.

During the Tier 1 supplier investigation, it was determined that an operator may have inadvertently removed the bolt during a limited reinstallation procedure, which narrowed the scope of the potentially affected population of seat tracks. Nissan implemented a countermeasure in production to prevent the issue from reoccurring. Concurrently, Nissan initiated a safety assessment to investigate the impact of the missing bolt on the regulation.

February 2022 – Nissan's safety assessment determined that if the bolt is missing, the seat track may move in the event of a crash and potentially increase the risk of injury.

February 16, 2022 - Nissan decided to conduct a Voluntary Safety Recall to inspect, and remedy if necessary, all potentially affected vehicles.

Nissan is not aware of any warranty claims attributed to this condition.

7. Description of Corrective Action:

Nissan will notify all owners of potentially affected vehicles by April 4, 2022. Dealers will be notified February 25, 2022. Dealers will inspect the second-row seat track for the missing mounting bolt and install a new mounting bolt if necessary.

We will not include a statement in the Part 577 owner notification concerning reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy as the subject vehicles are under warranty.

8. Copy of Notices:

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