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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2006-25687]

Annual List of Defect and Noncompliance Decisions Affecting Nonconforming Imported Vehicles

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.

ACTION: Annual list of defect and noncompliance decisions affecting nonconforming vehicles imported by registered importers.

SUMMARY: This document contains a list of vehicles recalled by their manufacturers during Calendar Year 2005 (January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005) to correct a safety-related defect or a noncompliance with an applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standard (FMVSS). The listed vehicles are those that NHTSA has decided are substantially similar to vehicles imported into the United States that were not originally manufactured and certified to conform to all applicable FMVSS. The registered importers of those nonconforming vehicles are required to provide their owners with notification of, and a remedy for, the defects or noncompliances for which the listed vehicles were recalled.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A), a motor vehicle that was not originally manufactured to conform to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards (FMVSS) shall be refused admission into the United States unless NHTSA has decided that the motor vehicle is substantially similar to a motor vehicle of the same model year that was originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States and certified under 49 U.S.C. 30115. Once NHTSA decides that a nonconforming vehicle is eligible for importation, it may be imported by a person who is registered with the agency pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30141(c). Before releasing the vehicle for use on public streets, roads, or highways, the registered importer must certify to NHTSA, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30146(a), that the vehicle has been brought into conformity with all applicable FMVSS.

If a vehicle originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States is decided to contain a defect related to motor vehicle safety, or not to comply with an applicable FMVSS, 49 U.S.C. 30147(a)(1)(A) provides that the same defect or noncompliance is deemed to exist in any nonconforming vehicle that NHTSA has decided to be substantially similar and for which a registered importer has submitted a certificate of conformity to the agency. Under 49 U.S.C. 30147(a)(1)(B), the registered importer is deemed to be the nonconforming vehicle's manufacturer for the purpose of providing notification of, and a remedy for, the defect or noncompliance.

To apprise registered importers of the vehicles for which they must conduct a notification and remedy (*i.e.*, "recall") campaign, 49 U.S.C. 30147(a)(2) requires NHTSA to publish in the **Federal Register** notice of any defect or noncompliance decision that is made with respect to substantially similar U.S. certified vehicles. Annex A contains a list of all such decisions that were made during Calendar Year 2005. The list identifies the Recall Number that was assigned to the recall by NHTSA after the agency received the manufacturer's notification of the defect or noncompliance under 49 CFR Part 573. After December 31, 2006, NHTSA will publish a comparable list of all defect and noncompliance decisions affecting nonconforming imported vehicles that are made during the current calendar year.

Under 49 U.S.C. 30120(a), a manufacturer may remedy a safety-related defect or noncompliance in a motor vehicle by repairing the vehicle, replacing the vehicle with an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle, or by refunding the purchase price, less a reasonable allowance for depreciation. For each of the vehicles listed, the manufacturer elected to remedy the defect or noncompliance by repair, and not by replacing the vehicle or by refunding the purchase price.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30147(a)(2); delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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Annex A

CALENDAR YEAR 2005 RECALLS AFFECTING VEHICLES IMPORTED BY REGISTERED IMPORTERS

Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
ACURA	MDX	2001	05V385000
ACURA	MDX	2002	05V385000
ACURA	TL	1999	05V025000
ACURA	TL	2000	05V025000
ASTON MARTIN	VANQUISH	2002	04V538000
ASTON MARTIN	VANQUISH	2003	04V538000
BMW	X5	2006	05V504000
BUICK	RENDEZVOUS	2004	05V157000
CADILLAC	CTS	2004	05V024000
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2003	05V163000
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2004	05V163000
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2005	05V055000
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2005	05V163000
CHEVROLET	ASTRO	2001	05V099000
CHEVROLET	ASTRO	2002	05V099000
CHEVROLET	AVALANCHE	2002	05V379000
CHEVROLET	AVALANCHE	2003	05V163000
CHEVROLET	AVALANCHE	2004	05V043000
CHEVROLET	AVALANCHE	2004	05V163000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
CHEVROLET	CAVALIER	2003	04V524000
CHEVROLET	CORVETTE	2005	04V525000
CHEVROLET	CORVETTE	2005	05V455000
CHEVROLET	CORVETTE	2006	05V455000
CHEVROLET	EXPRESS	2004	05V043000
CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2003	04V528000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	1999	05V161000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	1999	05V379000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2000	05V005000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2000	05V161000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2000	05V379000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2001	05V161000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2001	05V379000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2002	05V161000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2002	05V379000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2003	05V161000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2003	05V163000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2004	05V043000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2004	05V161000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2004	05V163000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2005	05V018000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2005	05V043000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2005	05V055000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2005	05V161000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2005	05V163000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2005	05V455000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2006	05V455000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2000	05V005000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2000	05V155000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2000	05V379000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2001	05V155000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2001	05V379000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2002	05V379000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2003	05V163000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2004	05V043000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2004	05V163000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2000	05V379000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2001	05V379000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2002	05V379000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2003	05V163000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2004	05V163000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2005	05V055000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2005	05V103000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2005	05V163000
CHEVROLET	TRAILBLAZER	2003	05V198000
CHEVROLET	TRAILBLAZER	2004	05V198000
CHEVROLET	UPLANDER	2005	05V061000
CHEVROLET	UPLANDER	2005	05V287000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	1997	04V597000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	1998	04V597000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	1999	04V597000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2000	04V597000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2001	04V597000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2002	04V597000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2003	04V597000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2004	04V597000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2005	04V597000
CHRYSLER	300	2005	05V460000
CHRYSLER	PACIFICA	2005	05V066000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	2001	04V531000
DODGE	CARAVAN	2001	04V531000
DODGE	CARAVAN	2002	04V531000
DODGE	CARAVAN	2003	05V134000
DODGE	DURANGO	2005	05V034000
DODGE	DURANGO	2005	05V460000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	2001	04V531000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	2002	04V531000
FORD	BRONCO	1994	05V388000
FORD	BRONCO	1995	05V388000
FORD	BRONCO	1996	05V388000
FORD	CROWN VICTORIA	1997	05V086000

CALENDAR YEAR 2005 RECALLS AFFECTING VEHICLES IMPORTED BY REGISTERED IMPORTERS—Continued

Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
FORD	CROWN VICTORIA	2003	05V206000
FORD	CROWN VICTORIA	2004	05V206000
FORD	CROWN VICTORIA	2005	05V206000
FORD	CROWN VICTORIA	2005	05V518000
FORD	E-250	2006	05V520000
FORD	E-350	2006	05V520000
FORD	E-250	2002	04V589000
FORD	E-250	2003	04V589000
FORD	E-250	2004	04V589000
FORD	E-350	2002	04V589000
FORD	E-350	2003	04V589000
FORD	E-350	2004	04V589000
FORD	E-350	2004	05V270000
FORD	E-350	2005	05V270000
FORD	E-450	2004	05V270000
FORD	ESCAPE	2001	04V602000
FORD	ESCAPE	2002	04V574000
FORD	ESCAPE	2002	04V602000
FORD	ESCAPE	2003	04V574000
FORD	ESCAPE	2003	04V602000
FORD	ESCAPE	2004	04V574000
FORD	ESCAPE	2004	04V602000
FORD	ESCAPE	2005	04V602000
FORD	EXCURSION	2004	05V270000
FORD	EXCURSION	2005	05V270000
FORD	EXPEDITION	1997	05V388000
FORD	EXPEDITION	1998	05V388000
FORD	EXPEDITION	1999	05V388000
FORD	EXPEDITION	2000	05V017000
FORD	EXPEDITION	2000	05V388000
FORD	EXPEDITION	2001	05V388000
FORD	EXPEDITION	2002	05V388000
FORD	EXPEDITION	2006	05V310000
FORD	EXPEDITION	2006	05V520000
FORD	EXPLORER	2006	05V520000
FORD	F-150	2006	05V520000
FORD	F-150	1994	05V388000
FORD	F-150	1995	05V388000
FORD	F-150	1996	05V388000
FORD	F-150	1997	05V388000
FORD	F-150	1998	05V388000
FORD	F-150	1999	05V388000
FORD	F-150	2000	05V017000
FORD	F-150	2000	05V388000
FORD	F-150	2001	05V388000
FORD	F-150	2002	05V388000
FORD	F-250	1994	05V388000
FORD	F-250	1995	05V388000
FORD	F-250	1996	05V388000
FORD	F-250	1997	05V388000
FORD	F-250	1998	05V388000
FORD	F-250	1999	05V388000
FORD	F-650	2005	05V202000
FORD	F-650	2005	05V415000
FORD	F-750	2005	05V202000
FORD	F-750	2005	05V415000
FORD	FOCUS	2000	05V030000
FORD	FOCUS	2001	05V030000
FORD	FOCUS	2002	05V030000
FORD	FOCUS	2003	05V030000
FORD	FOCUS	2004	05V030000
FORD	FOCUS	2005	05V030000
FORD	SUPERCREW	2001	05V017000
FREIGHTLINER	COLUMBIA	2002	05V001000
FREIGHTLINER	CORONADO	2004	05V408000
GMC	ENVOY	2003	05V198000
GMC	ENVOY	2004	05V198000
GMC	SAFARI	2001	05V099000
GMC	SAFARI	2002	05V099000
GMC	SAVANA	2000	05V005000
GMC	SIERRA	1999	05V161000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
GMC	SIERRA	1999	05V379000
GMC	SIERRA	2000	05V005000
GMC	SIERRA	2000	05V161000
GMC	SIERRA	2000	05V379000
GMC	SIERRA	2001	05V161000
GMC	SIERRA	2001	05V379000
GMC	SIERRA	2002	05V161000
GMC	SIERRA	2002	05V379000
GMC	SIERRA	2003	05V161000
GMC	SIERRA	2003	05V163000
GMC	SIERRA	2004	05V043000
GMC	SIERRA	2004	05V161000
GMC	SIERRA	2004	05V163000
GMC	SIERRA	2005	05V018000
GMC	SIERRA	2005	05V043000
GMC	SIERRA	2005	05V055000
GMC	SIERRA	2005	05V161000
GMC	SIERRA	2005	05V163000
GMC	SIERRA	2005	05V455000
GMC	W4500	2003	05V168000
GMC	W5500	2003	05V168000
GMC	W5500	2004	05V168000
GMC	YUKON	2000	05V379000
GMC	YUKON	2001	05V379000
GMC	YUKON	2002	05V379000
GMC	YUKON	2003	05V163000
GMC	YUKON	2004	05V163000
GMC	YUKON	2005	05V055000
GMC	YUKON	2005	05V103000
GMC	YUKON	2005	05V163000
GMC	YUKON XL	2000	05V005000
GMC	YUKON XL	2000	05V155000
GMC	YUKON XL	2000	05V379000
GMC	YUKON XL	2001	05V155000
GMC	YUKON XL	2001	05V379000
GMC	YUKON XL	2002	05V379000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTC	2002	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTC	2003	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTC	2004	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTC	2005	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTCI	2002	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTCI	2003	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTCI	2004	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTCI	2005	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTF	2002	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTF	2003	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTF	2004	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTF	2005	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTFI	2002	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTFI	2003	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTFI	2004	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTFI	2005	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTN	2002	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTN	2005	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLSTNI	2005	05V151000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FXDWGI	2004	05V430000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	ROAD KING	2004	04V465000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	SOFTAIL	2004	04V465000
HONDA	ACCORD	1999	05V025000
HONDA	ACCORD	2000	05V025000
HONDA	ACCORD	2001	05V025000
HONDA	ACCORD	2002	05V025000
HONDA	GL1800A	2002	05V010000
HONDA	GL1800A	2002	05V027000
HONDA	ODYSSEY	2005	05V039000
HONDA	ODYSSEY	2005	05V132000
HONDA	ODYSSEY	2005	05V344000
HONDA	PRELUDE	1997	05V025000
HONDA	PRELUDE	1998	05V025000
HONDA	PRELUDE	1999	05V025000
HONDA	PRELUDE	2000	05V025000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
HONDA	PRELUDE	2001	05V025000
HONDA	VFR800	2002	05V010000
HUMMER	H2	2004	05V043000
HUMMER	H2	2004	05V163000
HUMMER	H2	2005	05V043000
HUMMER	H2	2005	05V163000
HYUNDAI	ELANTRA	2004	05V395000
HYUNDAI	ELANTRA	2004	05V479000
INTERNATIONAL	4300	2006	05V297000
INTERNATIONAL	4400	2004	04V569000
INTERNATIONAL	4800	1999	03V415000
INTERNATIONAL	4800	2000	03V415000
INTERNATIONAL	7400	2002	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7400	2003	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7400	2005	04V569000
INTERNATIONAL	7400	2005	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7400	2006	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7500	2002	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7500	2003	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7500	2005	04V569000
INTERNATIONAL	7500	2005	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7500	2006	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7600	2003	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7600	2004	04V569000
INTERNATIONAL	7600	2004	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7600	2005	04V569000
INTERNATIONAL	7600	2005	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	7600	2006	05V188000
INTERNATIONAL	9900I	2005	05V296000
JAGUAR	S-TYPE	2002	04V484000
JAGUAR	S-TYPE	2003	04V484000
JAGUAR	X-TYPE	2002	04V487000
JEEP	WRANGLER	2005	05V460000
KENWORTH	C500	2005	05V189000
KENWORTH	C500	2005	05V237000
KENWORTH	T300	2005	05V417000
KENWORTH	T300	2006	05V417000
KENWORTH	T600	2004	04V580000
KENWORTH	T600	2004	05V189000
KENWORTH	T800	2004	04V580000
KENWORTH	T800	2004	05V084000
KENWORTH	T800	2004	05V189000
KENWORTH	T800	2005	05V084000
KENWORTH	T800	2005	05V189000
KENWORTH	T800	2005	05V237000
KENWORTH	T800	2005	05V543000
KENWORTH	T800	2006	05V543000
KENWORTH	W900	2005	05V084000
KENWORTH	W900	2005	05V189000
KENWORTH	W900	2005	05V237000
KIA	RIO	2001	05V159000
KIA	SEDONA	2002	05V013000
KIA	SEDONA	2003	05V013000
KIA	SEDONA	2003	05V232000
KIA	SEDONA	2003	05V329000
KIA	SORENTO	2003	05V353000
LAND ROVER	FREELANDER	2002	04V347000
LAND ROVER	FREELANDER	2002	05V300000
LAND ROVER	FREELANDER	2004	04V347000
LAND ROVER	FREELANDER	2004	05V300000
LAND ROVER	RANGE ROVER	2006	05V502000
LEXUS	LX470	1998	04V434000
LEXUS	LX470	1999	04V434000
LEXUS	LX470	2000	04V434000
LEXUS	LX470	2002	04V434000
LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	1998	05V388000
LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	1999	05V388000
LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	2000	05V017000
LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	2000	05V388000
LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	2001	05V388000
LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	2002	05V388000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	2006	05V310000
LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	2006	05V519000
LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	2006	05V520000
LINCOLN	TOWNCAR	2005	05V518000
MAZDA	TRIBUTE	2001	04V605000
MAZDA	TRIBUTE	2002	04V583000
MAZDA	TRIBUTE	2002	04V605000
MERCEDES BENZ	G55	2005	05V378000
MERCURY	MARQUIS	1997	05V086000
MINI	COOPER	2002	05V470000
NATIONAL	ISLANDER	2006	05V196000
NISSAN	MURANO	2003	05V319000
OLDSMOBILE	ALERO	2003	04V528000
OLDSMOBILE	BRAVADA	2003	05V198000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	1997	04V597000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	1998	04V597000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	1999	04V597000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	2000	04V597000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	2001	04V597000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	2002	04V597000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	2003	04V597000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	2004	04V597000
PETERBILT	335	2005	05V417000
PETERBILT	335	2006	05V417000
PETERBILT	357	2004	05V189000
PETERBILT	357	2005	05V189000
PETERBILT	378	2005	05V189000
PETERBILT	378	2005	05V543000
PETERBILT	379	2005	05V189000
PETERBILT	387	2005	05V543000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	2001	04V531000
PONTIAC	GRAND AM	2003	04V528000
PONTIAC	GRAND AM	2005	05V054000
PONTIAC	GRAND PRIX	2004	05V046000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	1997	04V597000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	1998	04V597000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	1999	04V597000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	2000	04V597000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	2001	04V597000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	2002	04V597000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	2003	04V597000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	2004	04V597000
PONTIAC	SUNFIRE	2003	04V524000
PONTIAC	TRANS SPORT	1999	04V597000
PONTIAC	TRANSPORT	1997	04V597000
PONTIAC	TRANSPORT	1998	04V597000
PORSCHE	CAYENNE	2004	04V593000
PORSCHE	CAYENNES	2003	04V593000
STERLING	ACTERRA	2003	05V126000
STERLING	ACTERRA	2004	05V125000
STERLING	ACTERRA	2004	05V126000
STERLING	ACTERRA	2005	05V125000
STERLING	CONDOR	2003	04V401000
STERLING	CONDOR	2003	04V453000
STERLING	LT9500	2004	04V590000
SUZUKI	GRAND VITARA	1999	05V452000
SUZUKI	GRAND VITARA	2000	05V452000
SUZUKI	GRAND VITARA	2002	05V452000
SUZUKI	GRAND VITARA	2005	05V452000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1989	05V389000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1990	05V389000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1991	05V389000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1992	05V389000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1993	05V389000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1994	05V389000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1995	05V389000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	2001	05V225000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	2002	05V225000
TOYOTA	CAMRY	2004	04V595000
TOYOTA	CELICA	2000	04V566000
TOYOTA	CELICA	2001	04V566000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
TOYOTA	SEQUOIA	2002	05V225000
TOYOTA	SEQUOIA	2003	05V225000
TOYOTA	SIENNA	2004	05V327000
TOYOTA	SIENNA	2005	05V327000
TOYOTA	T100	1996	05V389000
TOYOTA	TACOMA	2001	05V225000
TOYOTA	TACOMA	2002	05V225000
TOYOTA	TACOMA	2003	05V225000
TOYOTA	TUNDRA	2002	05V225000
TOYOTA	TUNDRA	2003	05V225000
TOYOTA	TUNDRA	2004	05V123000
TOYOTA	TUNDRA	2004	05V225000
TOYOTA	TUNDRA	2005	05V123000
TOYOTA	TUNDRA	2005	05V328000
VOLKSWAGEN	GOLF	1999	05V154000
VOLKSWAGEN	GOLF	2000	04V584000
VOLKSWAGEN	GOLF	2000	05V154000
VOLKSWAGEN	GOLF	2001	04V584000
VOLKSWAGEN	GOLF	2002	04V584000
VOLKSWAGEN	GOLF	2004	04V586000
VOLKSWAGEN	GTI	1999	05V154000
VOLKSWAGEN	GTI	2000	04V584000
VOLKSWAGEN	GTI	2000	05V154000
VOLKSWAGEN	JETTA	2000	04V584000
VOLKSWAGEN	JETTA	2001	04V584000
VOLKSWAGEN	JETTA	2002	04V584000
VOLKSWAGEN	JETTA	2004	04V586000
VOLVO	C70	1998	04V504000
VOLVO	C70	1999	04V504000
VOLVO	C70	2000	04V504000
VOLVO	S70	1998	04V504000
VOLVO	S70	1999	04V504000
VOLVO	S70	2000	04V504000
VOLVO	V70	1998	04V504000
VOLVO	V70	1999	04V504000
VOLVO	V70	2000	04V504000
VOLVO	V70XC	1999	04V504000
VOLVO	V70XC	2000	04V504000
VOLVO	VN	2000	04V457000
WINNEBAGO	VECTRA	2005	04V608000
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**

[Docket No. NHTSA-2005-22904, Notice 1]

Denial of Petition for Compliance Investigation

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Denial of petition for compliance investigation submitted by Safety Analysis & Forensic Engineering.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the reasons for the denial of a petition submitted to NHTSA under 49 U.S.C. 30162 by Safety Analysis and Forensic

Engineering. The petition requested that the agency commence an investigation into whether certain Ford Explorer and Mercury Mountaineer vehicles are in compliance with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 216, "Roof crush resistance." After review of the petition and other information submitted by the petitioner and the vehicle manufacturer, NHTSA has concluded that further expenditure of the agency's investigative resources on the issue raised in the petition does not appear warranted. The agency has accordingly denied the petition.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Krauss, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, NHTSA (202) 366-5292.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Introduction**

In September 2005, Safety Analysis & Forensic Engineering (SAFE) petitioned NHTSA to conduct an investigation to determine if model year (MY) 1999-2001 4-door Ford Explorer vehicles are in compliance with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 216, "Roof crush resistance." In January 2006, SAFE extended the scope of its petition to include 1997-1998 Explorers and 1997-2001 Mercury Mountaineer vehicles. Based on a thorough review of all information submitted on this matter, the agency has decided to deny the petition.

Background

FMVSS No. 216 was promulgated in 1971 for the purpose of reducing deaths and injuries that are associated with the crushing of a vehicle roof into the occupant compartment during a rollover