

toolkit, and the Working Group continues to meet to monitor the implementation of PTC and related projects. Contact: Grady Cothen (202) 493-6302.

*Task 97-7*—(Terminated) Determining damages qualifying an event as a reportable train accident. Action on this topic was terminated based on the recommendations of the Accident/ Incident Working Group.

*Task 00-1*—Determining the need to amend regulations protecting persons who work on, under, or between rolling equipment and persons applying, removing or inspecting rear end marking devices (Blue Signal Protection). The Working Group held its first meeting on October 16-18, 2000, and six meetings have been held since then. FRA is reviewing the status of this activity. Contact: Doug Taylor (202) 493-6255.

*Task 01-1*—(Completed) Developing conformity of FRA's regulations for accident/incident reporting (49 CFR part 225) to revised regulations of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), U.S. Department of Labor, and to make appropriate revisions to the *FRA Guide for Preparing Accident/Incident Reports* (Reporting Guide).

*Task 03-01*—Amendments to the Passenger Equipment Safety Standards (49 CFR part 238) and the Passenger Train Emergency Preparedness (49 CFR part 239). This Task was accepted May 20, 2003, and a Working Group was established. Prior to embarking on substantive discussion of a specific task, the Working Group will set forth in writing a specific description of the task. The Working Group will hold its first meeting September 9-10, 2003. The Working Group will report any planned activity to the full Committee at each scheduled Committee meeting, including milestones for completion of projects and progress toward completion.

Please refer to the notice published in the **Federal Register** on March 11, 1996, (61 FR 9740) for more information about the RSAC.

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**George A. Gavalla,**  
*Associate Administrator for Safety.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**

**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 2002 (January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002) 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.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Coleman Sachs, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, NHTSA (202-366-3151).

**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 2002. 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, 2003, 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); 49 CFR 593.8; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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**Kenneth N. Weinstein,**  
*Associate Administrator for Enforcement.*

**ANNEX A—CALENDAR YEAR 2002 RECALLS AFFECTING VEHICLES IMPORTED BY REGISTERED IMPORTERS**

Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
ACURA	3.5RL	2000	02V119000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
ACURA	3.5RL	2002	02V119000
ACURA	MDX	2002	02V226000
BMW	323i	1999	02V223000
BMW	323i	2000	02V223000
BMW	328i	1999	02V223000
BMW	328i	2000	02V223000
BMW	745i	2002	02V150000
BMW	X5	2000	02V194000
BMW	X5	2001	02V194000
BUICK	LESABRE	2002	02V067000
BUICK	LESABRE	2002	02V222000
BUICK	LESABRE	2003	02V222000
BUICK	PARK AVENUE	2001	02V328000
BUICK	RENDEZVOUS	2002	02V222000
BUICK	SKYLARK	1996	02V070000
CADILLAC	DEVILLE	2002	02V067000
CADILLAC	DEVILLE	2002	02V222000
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2000	02V253000
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2001	02V253000
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2002	02V253000
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2003	02V224000
CHEVROLET	BLAZER	2000	01V364000
CHEVROLET	BLAZER	2001	01V364000
CHEVROLET	BLAZER	2002	01V364000
CHEVROLET	CAVALIER	1995	02V070000
CHEVROLET	CAVALIER	1996	02V070000
CHEVROLET	CAVALIER	1997	02V070000
CHEVROLET	EXPRESS	2003	02V305000
CHEVROLET	EXPRESS	2003	02V326000
CHEVROLET	EXPRESS	2003	02V330000
CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2002	02V222000
CHEVROLET	IMPALA	2003	02V222000
CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2002	02V107000
CHEVROLET	MONTE CARLO	1999	02V329000
CHEVROLET	MONTE CARLO	2002	02V222000
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2000	02V178000
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2000	02V178000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2000	02V178000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2000	02V253000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2001	02V253000
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2002	02V253000
CHEVROLET	TRAILBLAZER	2002	02V121000
CHEVROLET	TRAILBLAZER	2002	02V222000
CHEVROLET	TRAILBLAZER	2002	02V273000
CHEVROLET	TRAILBLAZER	2003	02V222000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2001	01V383000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2001	02V329000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2002	02V222000
CHEVROLET	VENTURE	2003	02V222000
CHRYSLER	300M	2000	01V273000
CHRYSLER	300M	2001	01V273000
CHRYSLER	CONCORDE	2000	01V273000
CHRYSLER	CONCORDE	2001	01V273000
CHRYSLER	LHS	2000	01V273000
CHRYSLER	LHS	2001	01V273000
CHRYSLER	PT CRUISER	2001	02V162000
CHRYSLER	PT CRUISER	2001	02V214000
CHRYSLER	PT CRUISER	2001	02V215000
CHRYSLER	PT CRUISER	2002	02V215000
CHRYSLER	SEBRING	1996	02V186000
CHRYSLER	SEBRING	1997	02V186000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1996	00V268000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1996	02V293000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1997	00V268000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1997	02V076000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1997	02V293000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1998	02V268000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1998	02V076000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1998	02V293000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1999	02V268000
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	1999	02V076000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
CHRYSLER	TOWN AND COUNTRY	2000	02V268000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1996	00V268000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1996	02V293000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1997	00V268000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1997	02V076000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1997	02V293000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1998	00V268000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1998	02V076000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1998	02V293000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1999	00V268000
DODGE	CARAVAN	1999	02V076000
DODGE	CARAVAN	2000	00V268000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	1996	00V268000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	1996	02V293000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	1997	00V268000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	1997	02V293000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	1998	00V268000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	1998	02V293000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	1999	00V268000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	2000	00V268000
DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	2002	02V274000
DODGE	INTREPID	2000	01V273000
DODGE	INTREPID	2001	01V273000
DODGE	RAM	1997	02V161000
DODGE	RAM	1998	02V161000
DODGE	RAM	2001	02V042000
DODGE	RAM	2002	02V159000
DODGE	VIPER	1996	01V312000
DODGE	VIPER	1996	01V313000
DODGE	VIPER	1997	01V312000
DODGE	VIPER	1997	01V313000
DODGE	VIPER	1998	01V120000
DODGE	VIPER	1998	01V312000
DODGE	VIPER	1998	01V313000
DODGE	VIPER	1999	01V120000
DODGE	VIPER	1999	01V312000
DODGE	VIPER	1999	01V313000
DODGE	VIPER	2000	01V120000
DODGE	VIPER	2000	01V313000
DODGE	VIPER	2001	01V120000
FERRARI	360 MODENA	2001	02V091000
FERRARI	360 SPIDER	2001	02V091000
FORD	CROWN VICTORIA	2002	02V249000
FORD	F250	1999	02V068000
FORD	F350	1999	02V068000
FORD	F450	1999	02V068000
FORD	F550	1999	02V068000
FORD	F650	2001	02V024000
FORD	F750	2000	02V024000
FORD	F750	2001	02V024000
FORD	F750	2002	02V024000
FORD	RANGER	2002	02V035000
FORD	TAURUS	2000	02V266000
FORD	TAURUS	2001	02V266000
FORD	TAURUS	2002	02V266000
FORD	THUNDERBIRD	2002	02V169000
FORD	WINDSTAR	1995	02V101000
FORD	WINDSTAR	1996	02V101000
FORD	WINDSTAR	2000	02V072000
FORD	WINDSTAR	2001	02V072000
FREIGHTLINER	FLD	1994	01V209000
FREIGHTLINER	FLD	1995	01V209000
FREIGHTLINER	FLD	1997	02V077000
GMC	DENALI	2000	02V253000
GMC	DENALI	2001	02V253000
GMC	DENALI	2002	02V253000
GMC	ENVOY	2002	02V121000
GMC	ENVOY	2002	02V222000
GMC	ENVOY	2002	02V273000
GMC	ENVOY	2003	02V222000
GMC	JIMMY	2000	01V364000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
GMC	JIMMY	2001	01V364000
GMC	SAVANA	2003	02V305000
GMC	SAVANA	2003	02V326000
GMC	SIERRA	2000	02V178000
GMC	YUKON	2000	02V178000
GMC	YUKON	2000	02V253000
GMC	YUKON	2001	02V253000
GMC	YUKON	2002	02V253000
GMC	YUKON XL	2000	02V178000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLHR	2001	02V002000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLHR	2002	02V002000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLHT	2001	02V002000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLHT	2002	02V002000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLHTC	2001	02V002000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLHTC	2002	02V002000
HARLEY DAVIDSON	FLTRSEI	2000	02V272000
HONDA	ACCORD	2000	01V380000
HONDA	ACCORD	2000	02V051000
HONDA	ACCORD	2001	01V380000
HONDA	ACCORD	2001	02V051000
HONDA	ACCORD	2002	02V226000
HONDA	CIVIC	2000	01V380000
HONDA	CIVIC	2000	02V051000
HONDA	CIVIC	2001	01V380000
HONDA	CIVIC	2001	02V051000
HONDA	ODYSSEY	2002	02V226000
HONDA	PILOT	2003	02V226000
HYUNDAI	ACCENT	2000	01V346000
HYUNDAI	ACCENT	2000	02V167000
HYUNDAI	SANTA FE	2001	02V111000
HYUNDAI	SONATA	1999	02V105000
HYUNDAI	SONATA	2000	02V105000
HYUNDAI	SONATA	2001	02V105000
INFINITI	I30	1998	02V171000
INFINITI	I35	2002	02V146000
INFINITI	Q45	1998	02V171000
INTERNATIONAL	2000	1999	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4000	1990	02V137000
INTERNATIONAL	4000	1993	02V137000
INTERNATIONAL	4300	2002	02V054000
INTERNATIONAL	4300	2002	02V094000
INTERNATIONAL	4300	2002	02V095000
INTERNATIONAL	4300	2002	02V174000
INTERNATIONAL	4300	2002	02V260000
INTERNATIONAL	4700	1998	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4700	1999	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4700	1999	02V252000
INTERNATIONAL	4700	2000	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4700	2000	02V252000
INTERNATIONAL	4700	2001	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4700	2001	02V252000
INTERNATIONAL	4800	1999	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4800	2000	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4900	1998	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4900	1999	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4900	1999	02V252000
INTERNATIONAL	4900	2000	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	4900	2000	02V252000
INTERNATIONAL	5000	1998	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	5000	1999	02V135002
INTERNATIONAL	7400	2002	02V205000
INTERNATIONAL	7500	2002	02V205000
JEEP	CHEROKEE	2000	02V104000
JEEP	CHEROKEE	2001	02V104000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	1993	02V053000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	1994	02V053000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	1995	02V053000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	1996	02V053000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	1997	02V053000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	1998	02V053000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	1999	02V104000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2000	02V104000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2001	02V104000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2002	01V348000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2002	01V374000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2002	02V032000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2002	02V099000
JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2002	02V104000
JEEP	LIBERTY	2002	01V373000
JEEP	WRANGLER	1990	02V041000
JEEP	WRANGLER	1991	02V041000
JEEP	WRANGLER	1992	02V041000
JEEP	WRANGLER	1993	02V041000
JEEP	WRANGLER	1994	02V041000
JEEP	WRANGLER	1995	02V041000
JEEP	WRANGLER	2000	02V104000
JEEP	WRANGLER	2001	02V075000
JEEP	WRANGLER	2001	02V104000
JEEP	WRANGLER	2002	02V075000
JEEP	WRANGLER	2002	02V104000
KENWORTH	T300	2002	02V241001
KENWORTH	T800	2002	02V241001
LAND ROVER	DISCOVERY II	1999	02V022000
LAND ROVER	DISCOVERY II	1999	02V028000
LAND ROVER	DISCOVERY II	2000	02V022000
LAND ROVER	DISCOVERY II	2000	02V028000
MAZDA	MPV	2000	01V382000
MAZDA	MPV	2001	01V382000
MINI	COOPER	2002	02V201000
NISSAN	MAXIMA	1997	02V171000
NISSAN	MAXIMA	1998	02V171000
NISSAN	MAXIMA	2001	02V146000
NISSAN	MAXIMA	2002	02V043000
NISSAN	MAXIMA	2002	02V146000
NISSAN	PATHFINDER	1994	02V125000
NISSAN	SENTRA	2001	01V376000
NISSAN	SENTRA	2002	01V376000
OLDSMOBILE	ACHIEVA	1996	02V070000
OLDSMOBILE	ACHIEVA	1997	02V070000
OLDSMOBILE	AURORA	2002	02V222000
OLDSMOBILE	BRAVADA	2002	02V121000
OLDSMOBILE	BRAVADA	2002	02V222000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	2001	01V383000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	2001	02V329000
OLDSMOBILE	SILHOUETTE	2002	02V222000
PETERBILT	357	2001	02V018001
PETERBILT	358	2001	02V018001
PLYMOUTH	GRAND VOYAGER	1996	00V268000
PLYMOUTH	GRAND VOYAGER	1996	02V293000
PLYMOUTH	GRAND VOYAGER	1997	00V268000
PLYMOUTH	GRAND VOYAGER	1997	02V293000
PLYMOUTH	GRAND VOYAGER	1998	00V268000
PLYMOUTH	GRAND VOYAGER	1998	02V293000
PLYMOUTH	GRAND VOYAGER	1999	00V268000
PLYMOUTH	GRAND VOYAGER	2000	00V268000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1996	00V268000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1996	02V293000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1997	00V268000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1997	02V076000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1997	02V293000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1998	00V268000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1998	02V076000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1998	02V293000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1999	00V268000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	1999	02V076000
PLYMOUTH	VOYAGER	2000	00V268000
PONTIAC	AZTEK	2001	01V383000
PONTIAC	AZTEK	2001	02V329000
PONTIAC	BONNEVILLE	2002	02V222000
PONTIAC	BONNEVILLE	2003	02V222000
PONTIAC	GRAND AM	1996	02V070000
PONTIAC	GRAND AM	1997	02V070000

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Make	Model	Model year	NHTSA recall No.
PONTIAC	GRAND PRIX	1999	02V027000
PONTIAC	GRAND PRIX	2001	02V329000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	1999	02V027000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	2001	01V383000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	2001	02V329000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	2002	02V222000
PONTIAC	MONTANA	2003	02V222000
PONTIAC	SUNFIRE	1995	02V070000
PONTIAC	SUNFIRE	1996	02V070000
PONTIAC	SUNFIRE	1997	02V070000
PONTIAC	TRANS SPORT	1999	02V027000
PONTIAC	VIBE	2003	02V074002
SUBARU	OUTBACK	2002	02V079000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1996	02V021000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1997	02V021000
TOYOTA	4 RUNNER	1998	02V021000
TOYOTA	COROLLA	2003	02V074001
TOYOTA	ECHO	2001	02V268000
TOYOTA	ECHO	2002	02V268000
TOYOTA	HIGHLANDER	2001	02V208000
TOYOTA	HIGHLANDER	2002	02V208000
TOYOTA	TUNDRA	1999	02V050000
TOYOTA	TUNDRA	2000	02V050000
TOYOTA	TUNDRA	2001	02V050000
TRIUMPH	SPEED TRIPLE	2001	01V339000
TRIUMPH	SPEED TRIPLE	2001	02V242000
VOLKSWAGEN	GOLF	2001	02V031000
VOLKSWAGEN	GOLF	2002	02V031000
VOLKSWAGEN	JETTA	2001	02V031000
VOLKSWAGEN	JETTA	2002	02V031000
VOLKSWAGEN	NEW BEETLE	2001	02V031000
VOLKSWAGEN	NEW BEETLE	2002	02V031000
VOLKSWAGEN	PASSAT	1996	02V256000
VOLVO	S80	1999	02V096000
VOLVO	VNL	1999	02V110000
VOLVO	VNL	1999	02V238000
VOLVO	VNL	2000	02V110000
VOLVO	VNL	2000	02V238000
VOLVO	VNL	2001	02V110000
VOLVO	VNL	2001	02V238000
VOLVO	WCA	1993	02V238000
VOLVO	WG	1994	02V238000
VOLVO	WIA	1993	02V238000
VOLVO	WIA	1996	02V238000

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**

[Docket No. NHTSA 2003-15990; Notice 1]

**Mazda North American Operations; Receipt of Application for Determination of Inconsequential Noncompliance**

Mazda North American Operations, on behalf of Mazda Motor Corporation of Hiroshima, Japan (Mazda), has applied to be exempted from the notification and remedy requirements of the 49 U.S.C. chapter 301 “Motor Vehicle Safety” for a noncompliance

with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 208, “Occupant Crash Protection,” on the basis that the noncompliance is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety. Mazda has filed a report of noncompliance pursuant to 49 CFR part 573, “Defect and Noncompliance Reports.”

This notice of receipt of the application is published under 49 U.S.C. 30118 and 30120 and does not represent any agency decision or other exercise of judgment concerning the merits of the application. See 49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h).

Mazda submitted the following information in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR part 556, “Exemption for Inconsequential Defect or Noncompliance.”

**Summary of the Petition**

Approximately 350 MY 2002 and 2003 Mazda MPVs produced for sale “in the U.S. territories” were manufactured with airbag warning labels intended for the Canadian market. Thus, the labels contain warnings in both English and French. As a result, the area of the English warning is only 16 square centimeters, as opposed to the 30 square centimeters required by FMVSS No. 208. This condition does not comply with the requirements of S4.5.1 of FMVSS No. 208.

Mazda learned of this problem when a service engineer, employed by Mazda Canada Inc., informed them that some 2003 model year MPVs had no French airbag warning on the vinyl sun visor. Mazda’s subsequent investigation revealed that some of the labels