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Your Ref: 11V-510

Date: 29th January 2013

Chief
Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington
D.C. 20590

Subject: Part 573 Recall Notice #11V-510 – Failure of Oil Cooler Hose End Fittings

This information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Title 49 Part 573 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Lotus Cars Ltd would like to advise the Administrator of further information that has become available relating to Recall Notice #11V-510.

Following some failures outside the original declared VIN range, it has been decided that this range should be extended to encompass an additional 452 vehicles. This extension also broadens the range of affected vehicles to include some that were manufactured in 2008MY (see Annexes A & B).

An improved hose crimping process was introduced in October 2006 and the production date range that was previously used allowed approximately 6 weeks for the latest level of parts to be fully introduced. It is now considered that this period of time was insufficient and that some older level parts may still have been in use. Consequently, the VIN range has been extended to cover the production period 1 June 2004 – 31 October 2007 to ensure that all stock holdings of the earlier level parts were exhausted. A revised technical service bulletin has been issued detailing the new VIN range, together with updated customer letters (copies enclosed).

If you have any questions relating to this submission, please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ian Cawdron", with a horizontal line underneath.

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Annexes:

- A. §573.6 Defect Information Report
- B. Affected VINs (redacted)

Enclosures:

- 1. sb_2012_01R_Issue_2_USA_Federal_Elise_Oil_Cooler_Hose_Recall.pdf
- 2. 11V-510_Recall Letter_Final_29.01.13.pdf



§573.6 Defect Information Report

§573.6(c)(1) **Manufacturers Name**

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§573.6(c)(2)(i) **Identification of Vehicles**

Make: Lotus
Line: Elise/Exige
Model Year: 2005 - 2008
Month/Year of
Manufacture: 1 June 2004 to 31 October 2007
Affected VIN: See Annexe B

§573.6(c)(3) **Number of Vehicles Potentially Containing the Defect**

5493 vehicles in the United States are affected by this recall:

2005MY Elise	3251
2006MY Elise	1086
2006MY Exige	339
2007MY Elise	294
2007MY Exige	448
2008MY Elise	18
2008MY Exige	57



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Affected VINs (redacted)

SCCPC11105HL	SCCPC11197HL
SCCPC11106HL	SCCPC11198HL
SCCPC11107HL	SCCPC111X5HA
SCCPC11108HL	SCCPC111X5HL
SCCPC11115HL	SCCPC111X6HL
SCCPC11116HL	SCCPC111X7HL
SCCPC11117HL	SCCPC111X8HL
SCCPC11118HL	SCCVC11107HL
SCCPC11125HL	SCCVC11117HL
SCCPC11126HA	SCCVC11126HL
SCCPC11126HL	SCCVC11127HL
SCCPC11127HL	SCCVC11137HL
SCCPC11128HL	SCCVC11138HL
SCCPC11135HL	SCCVC11147HL
SCCPC11136HA	SCCVC11148HL
SCCPC11136HL	SCCVC11157HL
SCCPC11137HL	SCCVC11166HL
SCCPC11138HL	SCCVC11167HL
SCCPC11145HL	SCCVC11177HL
SCCPC11146HA	SCCVC11178HL
SCCPC11146HL	SCCVC11187HL
SCCPC11147HL	SCCVC11188HL
SCCPC11155HL	SCCVC11197HA
SCCPC11156HA	SCCVC11197HL
SCCPC11156HL	SCCVC11198HL
SCCPC11157HL	SCCVC111X7HL
SCCPC11158HL	SCCWC11108HL
SCCPC11165HL	SCCWC11118HL
SCCPC11166HL	SCCWC11128HL
SCCPC11167HL	SCCWC11138HL
SCCPC11168HL	SCCWC11148HL
SCCPC11175HL	SCCWC11158HL
SCCPC11176HA	SCCWC11168HL
SCCPC11176HL	SCCWC11178HL
SCCPC11177HL	SCCWC11188HL
SCCPC11178HL	SCCWC11198HL
SCCPC11185HL	SCCWC111X8HL
SCCPC11186HL	
SCCPC11187HL	
SCCPC11188HL	
SCCPC11195HL	
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