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NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMIN.

Dear Dr. Bailey:

**Re: Vehicle Identification Number; Model Year 2002 (Initial Submission)**

Nissan North America, Inc. on behalf of Nissan Motor Company, Ltd., of Tokyo, Japan, the manufacturer of Nissan and Infiniti vehicles ("Nissan") submits the enclosed vehicle identification number (VIN) information. The attached VIN coding chart provides all information necessary to decipher the characters contained in the VINs to be affixed to model year 2002 Nissan and Infiniti passenger car and light duty truck models.

The following gives itemized changes:

- Position 10, both charts: the model year code has been changed
- Nissan Maxima:
  - Position 4: 3.5 L, Gasoline engine (Code D) replaces the 3.0 L, Gasoline engine.
- Nissan Altima:
  - Position 4: 2.5 L and 3.5 L, Gasoline engines (respective Codes A and B), replace the 2.4 L, Gasoline engine.
- Infiniti Q45:
  - Position 4: 4.5 L, Gasoline engine replaces the 4.1 L, Gasoline engine.
  - Position 5: Code changed to "F".
- Infiniti I35:
  - Position 4: 3.5 L, Gasoline engine (Code D) replaces the 3.0 L, Gasoline engine.
  - Position 5: Series name changed to Infiniti I35.
- Nissan Pathfinder 4-Door Wagon:
  - Position 7: Body type is "4-Door Wagon B"

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- Infiniti QX4:
  - Position 7: Body type is "4-Door Wagon B"

If you have any questions regarding the information contained herein, please call Mr. Hayato Akizuki at (703) 456-2557.

Sincerely,  
Nissan North America, Inc.



Noboru Fujii  
Director, Technical Affairs

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enclosures: 2002MY Nissan VIN Coding System (Passenger Car)  
2002MY Nissan VIN Coding System (Light-Duty Trucks)

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# NISSAN "VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER" CODING SYSTEM (PASSENGER CAR)

Code	Manufacturer	Make	Type
JN1	NISSAN	NISSAN	Passenger Car
1N4	*NISSAN	*NISSAN	Passenger Car
3N1	**NISSAN	**NISSAN	Passenger Car
JNK	NISSAN	INFINITI	Passenger Car
JN3	NISSAN	NISSAN	Incomplete Vehicle
JNX	NISSAN	INFINITI	Incomplete Vehicle

Position 1-3

\*Manufactured by Nissan Motor Manufacturing Corporation U.S.A.  
 \*\*Manufactured by Nissan Mexicana, S.A. de C.V.

**J N 1 D A 3 1 D 1 2 T 1 2 3 4 5 6**

\*1 Model Change

Check Digit

Sequential Production Number  
 (Numeric Characters from 000001 to 999999 are assigned)

Category	Position 4		Position 5		Position 7	
	Engine Type	Code	Line/Series	Code	Body Type	Code
P	2.0L, Gasoline	B	NISSAN SENTRA	B	4-Door Sedan	1
	1.8L, Gasoline	C				
	1.8L, Gasoline (EZEV)	D				
	3.5L, Gasoline	D	NISSAN MAXIMA	A	4-Door Sedan	1
	2.5L, Gasoline	A	NISSAN ALTIMA	L	4-Door Sedan	1
	3.5L, Gasoline	B				
	4.5L, Gasoline	B	INFINITI Q45	F	4-Door Sedan	1
	3.5L, Gasoline	D	INFINITI I35	A	4-Door Sedan	1
	2.5L, Gasoline	C	INFINITI G20	P	4-Door Sedan	1
	Motor	A	NISSAN ALTRA-EV	E	4-Door Wagon	5

Position 8	
Restraint System	Code
Driver & Passenger Side Air Cushion System, 3-Point Manual Belts and Side Air Cushion System	A
Driver Side Air Cushion System and Driver & Passenger Side 3-Point Manual Belts	C
Driver & Passenger Side Air Cushion System and 3-Point Manual Belts	D
Driver & Passenger Side 3-Point Manual Belts only	S

Position 10		Position 11	
Model Year	Code	Manufacture Plant	Code
2002	2	OPPAMA PLANT	T
		MURAYAMA PLANT	5
		KYUSHU PLANT	W
		HIRATSUKA PLANT	X
		KYOTO PLANT	Z
		GUNMA PLANT	9
		TOCHIGI PLANT	M
		U.S.A. PLANT	C
		MEXICO CIVAC PLANT	K
		MEXICO AGUASCALIENTES PLANT	L
NAGOYA PLANT	4		

NOTE)

\*1:  
 The full model change for each vehicle line starting from 0 to 9 except INFINITI I30 and MAXIMA. In case of INFINITI I30 and MAXIMA, it is starting from 2. And in case of Q45 the next code after "0" is "3".

P: Passenger Car

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# NISSAN "VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER" CODING SYSTEM

## (MULTIPURPOSE PASSENGER VEHICLE, TRUCK)

Code	Manufacturer	Make	Type
JN6	NISSAN	NISSAN	Truck
JN8	NISSAN	NISSAN	Multipurpose Passenger Vehicle
1N6	*NISSAN	*NISSAN	Truck
JNR	NISSAN	INFINITI	Multipurpose Passenger Vehicle
5N1	*NISSAN	*NISSAN	Multipurpose Passenger Vehicle

\*Manufactured by Nissan Motor Manufacturing Corporation U.S.A.

Position 1-3

J N 8 A R 0 9 Y X 2 W 1 2 3 4 5 6

\*1 Model Change

Check Digit

Sequential Production Number  
(Numeric Characters from 000001 to 999999 are assigned)

Category	Position 4		Position 5		Position 7		Position 8			Position 10		Position 11	
	Engine Type	Code	Line/Series	Code	Body Type	Code	GVWR	Chassis/Brake System #2	Code	Model Year	Code	Manufacture Plant	Code
M.P.V.	3.3L, Gasoline	A	NISSAN PATHFINDER	R	4-Door Wagon B	9	Class C	Standard(2WD)	S	2002	2	OPPAMA PLANT	T
								Class D	Standard(2WD)			X	MURAYAMA PLANT
	3.5L, Gasoline	D	INFINITI QX4	R	4-Door Wagon B	9	Class C	Standard(4WD)	Y	2002	2	KYUSHU PLANT	W
								Class D	Standard(2WD)			X	HIRATSUKA PLANT
	3.5L, Gasoline	D	INFINITI QX4	R	4-Door Wagon B	9	Class C	Standard(4WD)	Y	2002	2	KYOTO PLANT	Z
								Class D	Standard(2WD)			X	GUNMA PLANT
	2.4L, Gasoline	D	XTERRA	D	4-Door Wagon	8	Class C	4-Wheel ABS(2WD)	S	2002	2	U.S.A. PLANT	C
								Class D	Standard(4WD)			Y	MEXICO
3.3L, Gasoline	E	NISSAN FRONTIER TRUCK	D	Regular Cab	1	Class C	Rear ABS(2WD)	S	2002	2	CIVAC PLANT		
							Class D	Standard(4WD)			Y	MEXICO	
3.3L, Gasoline (Super Charger)	M	NISSAN FRONTIER TRUCK	D	King Cab	6	Class C	Rear ABS(2WD)	S	2002	2	AGUASCALIENTES PLANT	L	
							Class D	4-Wheel ABS(2WD)			T	NAGOYA PLANT	4
3.3L, Gasoline (Super Charger)	M	NISSAN FRONTIER TRUCK	D	Crew Cab	7	Class C	4-Wheel ABS(2WD)	T	2002	2			
							Class D	Standard(4WD)			Y		
3.9L, Gasoline	A	NISSAN PATHFINDER	R	VAN	8	Class C	4-Wheel ABS(2WD)	T	2002	2			
							Class D	Standard(4WD)			Y		
3.9L, Gasoline	A	NISSAN PATHFINDER	R	VAN	8	Class C	Standard(2WD)	S	2002	2			
							Class D	Standard(2WD)			X		

NOTE)

\*1:  
The full model change for each vehicle line starting from 0 to 9 except NISSAN Pathfinder and XTERRA. In case of Pathfinder, the next code after "1" is "0". And in case of XTERRA, it is starting from 2.

\*2:  
Hydraulic brake system.

M.P.V. : Multipurpose Passenger Vehicle

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