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**Notice Regarding the Impact on Mazda Vehicles of the Falsification of Data by Kobe Steel**

WASHINGTON, DC (February 6, 2018) – We apologize for any concern the falsification of data disclosed by Kobe Steel has caused our customers. Our investigation into parts made from materials for which Kobe Steel has admitted falsifying data is now complete. As summarized below, the investigation has confirmed that these parts have no impact on vehicles and meet Mazda’s standards for safety and durability.

Materials affected by data falsification, Mazda’s investigation and the impact on Mazda vehicles:

Purchase method	Material	Impact on vehicles (Date of Mazda’s announcement)	Results of Mazda’s Investigation and Testing
Purchased directly	Aluminum plates	No impact (Oct. 20, 2017)	Materials for which data was falsified were used for some models in parts such as bonnets and trunk lids but testing has confirmed that there is no impact on these vehicles.
	Steel powder	Not applicable (Nov. 10, 2017)	We have confirmed that Mazda vehicles do not use materials for which data was falsified.
Purchased via supplier	Aluminum plates	No impact (Nov. 10, 2017)	Materials for which data was falsified were used for engine components and other parts in some models but testing has confirmed that there is no impact on these vehicles.
	Steel powder		
	Aluminum extrusion	Not applicable (Nov. 10, 2017)	We have confirmed that Mazda vehicles do not use materials for which data was falsified.
	Sputtering target materials		
	Copper tubes, steel wires, etc.		
	Copper products	No impact (Feb. 1, 2018)	Materials for which data was falsified were used in electronics for some models but testing has confirmed that there is no impact on these vehicles.



	Aluminum alloy rods		
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- These results are based on at least the past year of data held by Kobe Steel.

Mazda will make customer safety and peace of mind our first priority as we continue to make high-quality cars and aim to build a special bond with customers.

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