

mounted lamps, including side marker lamps, to allow compliance at a 5 degree downward visibility angle instead of at a 10 degree downward visibility angle as previously required. This change is present in the following text under section S5.3.2.3 of the revised FMVSS No. 108, "For signal lamps and reflected devices mounted less than 750 mm above the road surface as measured to the lamp axis of reference, the vertical test point angles located below the horizontal plane subject to photometric and visibility requirements of this standard may be reduced to 5 degrees." In making this revision, the agency previously explained that such low-mounted lamps typically cannot be observed at greater downward angles. This situation is exactly the same as which exists on the Altima front side marker lamp; it complies at 5 degrees down.

In consideration of the foregoing, NHTSA has decided that Nissan has met its burden of persuasion that the noncompliance it describes is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety, and that it should be exempted from the notification and remedy requirements of the statute. Accordingly, Nissan's application is hereby granted.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h); delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Office of Research and Development; Government Owned Invention Available for Licensing

AGENCY: Office of Research and Development, VA.

ACTION: Notice of government owned invention available for licensing.

SUMMARY: The invention listed below is owned by the U.S. Government as represented by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and is available for licensing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR part 404 and/or CRADA Collaboration under 15 U.S.C. 3710a to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally funded research and development. Foreign patents are

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Technical and licensing information on the invention may be obtained by writing to: Sal Sheredos, Department of Veterans Affairs, Acting Director Technology Transfer Program, Office of Research and Development, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420; fax: 202-254-0473; e-mail at: saleem@vard.org. Any request for information should include the Number and Title for the relevant invention as indicated below. Issued patents may be obtained from the Commissioner of Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The invention available for licensing is:

US Provisional Patent Application No. 60/600,390 "Treating Neurological Disorders with Neuro-Specific Gap Blockers".

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