Request 11

Describe all modifications or changes made by, or on behalf of, Ford in the design, material composition, manufacture, quality control, supply, or installation of the subject component, from the start of production to date, which relate to, or may relate to, the alleged defect in the subject vehicles and MY 2015 Ford F-150 vehicles. For each such modification or change, provide the following information:

a. The date or approximate date on which the modification or change was incorporated into vehicle production;
b. A detailed description of the modification or change;
c. The reason(s) for the modification or change;
d. The part number(s) (service and engineering) of the original component;
e. The part number(s) (service and engineering) of the modified component;
f. Whether the original unmodified component was withdrawn from production and/or sale, and if so, when; and
g. When the modified component was made available as a service component;
h. Whether the modified component can be interchanged with earlier production components.

Also, provide the above information for any modification or change that Ford is aware of which may be incorporated into vehicle production within the next 120 days.

Answer

Ford understands this request to relate to the subject components which relate to, or may relate to, the alleged defect in the subject vehicles and MY 2015 Ford F-150 vehicles. This information can be found in “RQ24-005 Request 11 – Parts Change Log.”

Ford notes that not all design revisions to the molded lead frame that may relate to the alleged defect would result in design revisions for the main control and 6R80 transmission assemblies. Additionally, the difference in the Powertrain Control Module (PCM) calibration engineering part numbers between MY 2014 and MY 2015 Ford F-150 vehicles is due in part to MY 2015 F-150 vehicles being a new vehicle program with new PCM calibrations that do not relate to the alleged defect, such as updates to support compliance with environmental emission regulations.

Ford currently has no plans to introduce modifications into vehicle production related to the subject components within 120 days of the receipt of this inquiry.