

January 6, 2005

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Mr. George Person Chief, Recall Management Division National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 400 7<sup>th</sup> SW, (Room 5319) Washington, DC 20590

RE: NHTSA CAMPAIGN No. 04V-305/Kia Campaign No. SC039 - 2nd Quarter Report

Dear Mr. Person:

We submit this letter for the purpose of compliance with the quarterly reporting requirements of 49 C.F.R. Section 573.6. The attached report is submitted for the quarter ending December 31, 2004. This recall involves the Kia Sephia, Sportage and Spectra that are manufactured by Kia Motors Corporation.

The status of number of vehicles received repaired under the remedial plan is as follows:

| Item                                | Unit    |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--|
| Total No. of Sephias, Sportages and |         |  |
| Spectra's Involved                  | 262,636 |  |
| Total No. Inspected & Remedied      | 16,734  |  |
| Action (%)                          | 6.37%   |  |

If you require any additional information, please contact me at (949) 470-7098.

Sincerely,

Bill Bradley

**Consumer Affairs** 

Field Support Supervisor

Bill Bradley

cc:

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## **Safety Recall Quarterly Report Information**

Required per 49 CFR Part 573.69

Calendar Quarter:

Fourth

January 3, 2005

Report Date:

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|--|---|---|-----------------|--------------------|--|--|
| Safety Recall Quarterly Report from October 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004.   |   |   |                 |                    |  |  |
| Manufacturer: Kia Motors Corporation   |   |   |                 |                    |  |  |
| Report Author: Bill Bradley Phone (  |   |   | one (714) 470-7 | (714) 470-7098     |  |  |
| Recall Subject: Optima Fuel Tank Assembly Valve  |   |   |                 |                    |  |  |
| 1.   | NHTSA Safety Recall Campaign: 04V-305   |   |                 |                    |  |  |
|  | Also, for completeness, if your company has assigned a code number to this campaign, please provide code: SC039   |   |                 |                    |  |  |
| 2.   | (a)   | The date notification to purchasers b   | egan:           | August 16, 2004    |  |  |
|  | (b)   | The date notification of purchasers w   | as completed:   | September 13, 2004 |  |  |
| 3.   | The Total Number of Items Involved: 262,636  The total number of items involved in the subject campaign (including all items sold or distributed to purchasers, dealers, distributors, and similar entities beyond the immediate control of the manufacturer/importer). |   |                 |                    |  |  |
| Number of Items Returned from Inventory or Remedied Prior to Sale:  includes (a) the total number of items returned from Manufacturer, Distributor, Dealer or Retailer inventory or (b) otherwise remedied prior to sale to consumers. |   |   |                 |                    |  |  |
| 4.   | (a)   | Total Number Inspected & Remedied: 16,734  Total number of items, which were inspected and/or otherwise repaired or remedied. |                 |                    |  |  |
|  | (b)   | Total Number Inspected & NOT REQUIRING REMEDY: 0  |                 |                    |  |  |
| 5.   | Items determined to be Unreachable:   |   |                 |                    |  |  |
|  |   | Total Number Exported:  | 0               |                    |  |  |
|  |   | Total Number Stolen:  | 0               |                    |  |  |
|  |   | Total Number Scrapped:  | 0               |                    |  |  |
|  |   | Total Number Unable to Notify:  | 1               |                    |  |  |
|  |   | Total Number Otherwise Unreachab  | le: 0           |                    |  |  |

Items shall refer to the vehicle, items or equipment or tires involved in the safety recall on which you are reporting.