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NVS-215
05V-013

Subject: KIA/THROTTLE CABLE

Dear MR. GLODDECK:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect or noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records.

Makes/Models/Model Years:
KIA/SEDONA/2002-2003

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-013

Recall Date: January 17, 2005

Components:
VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL: ACCELERATOR PEDAL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 89238

Summary:
ON CERTAIN VEHICLES, DURING ASSEMBLY, DIFFICULTIES WERE BEING ENCOUNTERED WITH THE THROTTLE CABLE. THE THROTTLE CABLE WOULD TWIST ITSELF OUT OF POSITION DURING NORMAL ASSEMBLY OPERATIONS AND WOULD MOVE OUT OF POSITION.

Consequence:
THIS CAN PERMIT THE CABLE TO BE HUNG UP OR THE THROTTLE CABLE WOULD JUMP OUT OF POSITION WHICH COULD RESULT IN A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE THROTTLE CABLE. VEHICLES PRODUCED FROM MARCH 20, 2001 THROUGH NOVEMBER 7, 2001 WILL AT THE SAME TIME HAVE A GUIDE CLIP INSTALLED ON THE THROTTLE BODY ASSEMBLY IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT THE TENSION FORCE CABLE DOES NOT MOVE OUT OF POSITION. VEHICLES MANUFACTURED BEGINNING ON NOVEMBER 8, 2001 ALREADY HAVE THE EXTENDED GUIDE WHICH ACCOMPLISHES THE SAME OBJECTIVE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN AT THE END OF FEBRUARY 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT KIA AT 1-800-333-4542.

Notes:

RECALL NO. SC-042. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

This recall was the subject of an investigation, PE-04-067, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

Please provide the date (month/day/year) of when the manufacturer became aware of the recall.

Please provide the beginning manufacturing date for these vehicles.

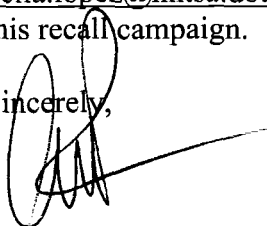
You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Effective October 21 2004, Kia must provide an estimated dealer notification date as well as an owner notification date (month/day/year).

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, the recall is expected to begin at the end of February 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by April 30, 2005.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov or delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division