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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

JAMES VONDALE FORD MOTOR COMPANY 330 TOWN CENTER DRIVE SUITE 400 DEARBORN MI 48126-2738 NVS-215 05V-017

Subject: FORD/CRUISE CONTROL DEACTIVATION SWITCH FIRES

Dear MR. VONDALE:

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:

FORD/EXPEDITION/2000 FORD/F150/2000 FORD/SUPERCREW/2001 LINCOLN/NAVIGATOR/2000

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-017 Recall Date: January 27, 2005

## **Components:**

VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL: CRUISE CONTROL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 738490

# **Summary:**

ON CERTAIN SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES AND PICKUP TRUCKS EQUIPPED WITH SPEED CONTROL THE SPEED CONTROL DEACTIVATION SWITCH MAY OVERHEAT, SMOKE, OR BURN.

#### Consequence:

THIS CONDITION COULD LEAD TO A FIRE.

### Remedy:

AS AN INTERIM REPAIR, OWNERS WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO RETURN THEIR VEHICLES TO THEIR DEALERS TO HAVE THE SPEED CONTROL DEACTIVATION SWITCH DISCONNECTED. AS SOON AS REPLACEMENT PARTS ARE AVAILABLE (EARLY APRIL 2005), OWNERS WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO RETURN TO THE DEALERS FOR INSTALLATION OF A NEW SWITCH. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT FORD AT 1-800-392-3673.

#### **Notes:**

FORD RECALL NO. 05S28. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

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).

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 <a href="mailto:patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov">patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov</a> or <a href="mailto:delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov">delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov</a>. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely

George H. Person

Chief, Recall Management Division