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Safety Recall 05S30

Mr. John Sample
123 Main Street
Anywhere, USA 12345

Your Vehicle Identification Number: 12345678901234567

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Ford Motor Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2005 model year F450/550 vehicles. We apologize for this situation and want to assure you that, with your assistance, we will correct this condition. Our commitment, together with Ford dealers, is to provide you with the highest level of service and support.

What is the issue?

Your vehicle may have been equipped with a steering gear that contains an incorrect spacer. If this condition exists on your vehicle, you may experience noise and increased steering effort, eventually progressing to impaired steering or potential loss of steering that may result in a crash.

What will Ford and your dealer do?

Ford Motor Company and your dealer will inspect the steering gear on your vehicle for a specific date code. We recommend that you not operate your vehicle and contact your dealer immediately to arrange for this inspection. If your vehicle has a steering gear with the specific date code, the steering gear will be replaced at no charge to you.

Do you need a rental vehicle?

Your dealer is authorized to provide you with a rental vehicle at no charge (except for fuel and insurance) until the inspection and, if necessary, repairs are completed. We urge you to call your dealer as soon as possible to arrange for this inspection.

How long will it take?

The time needed for this repair is less than one-half day. However, due to service scheduling requirements, your dealer may need your vehicle for a longer period of time. In addition, your vehicle will require inspection prior to determining if parts need to be ordered.

What are we asking you to do?

Please call your dealer without delay and request a service date for Recall 05S30. Provide the dealer with the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) of your vehicle. The VIN is printed near your name at the beginning of this letter.

Fleet Owners: To locate a dealer, call 1-800-34FLEET. Representatives are available 8:30AM to 6:00PM Monday through Friday (Eastern Time Zone).

All Other Owners: If you do not already have a servicing dealer, you can access <http://www.genuineflmservice.com> for dealer addresses, maps, and driving instructions.

Please note: Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Have you changed your address or sold the vehicle?

If you have, please fill out the enclosed prepaid postcard and mail it to us so we can update our records. If you have sold the vehicle, the information you provide on the postcard will be used to notify the new owner about this recall.

Can we assist you further?

If you have difficulty getting your vehicle repaired promptly and without charge, please contact your dealership's Service Manager for assistance.

Fleet Owners: If you still have concerns, please contact the Fleet Customer Information Center at 1-800-34-FLEET and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. Representatives are available 8:30AM to 6:00PM Monday through Friday (Eastern Time Zone).

Or you may contact us through the internet at www.fleet.ford.com.

All Other Owners: If you still have concerns, please contact the Ford Motor Company Customer Relationship Center and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you.

Call 1-800-392-3673. For the hearing impaired call 1-800-232-5952 (TDD).

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Office Hours: (Eastern Time Zone)

Monday – Friday: 8AM – 8PM

Saturday: 9AM – 5:30PM

If you wish to contact us through the Internet, our address is:

www.ownerconnection.com

If you are still having difficulty getting your vehicle repaired in a reasonable time or without charge, you may write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street S. W., Washington, D. C. 20590 or call the toll free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 or 1-800-424-9393.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



Frank M. Ligon

Director

Service Engineering Operations