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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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NVS-215 06V-286

Subject: SUPPLEMENTAL/SPEED CONTROL DEACTIVATION SWITCH

Dear MR. VONDALE:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

FORD/E450/1996-2002 FORD/ECONOLINE/1994-1996 FORD/EXCURSION/2000-2002 FORD/EXPLORER/1998 FORD/MOUNTAINEER/1998 FORD/F250/1994-2002 FORD/F350/1994-2002 FORD/F450/1994-2002 FORD/F550/1994-2002

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-286 Mfg's Report Date: July 27, 2006

Components: VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,200,000

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRUCKS EQUIPPED WITH SPEED CONTROL, GASOLINE OR NATURAL GAS ENGINES, THE SPEED CONTROL DEACTIVATION SWITCH MAY OVERHEAT.

Consequence:

OVERHEAT COULD RESULT IN SMOKE, OR BURN AND IN AN UNDERHOOD FIRE.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSTALL A FUSED WIRING HARNESS INTO THE SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON AUGUST 7, 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT FORD AT 1-866-436-7332.

Notes:

FORD RECALL NO. 05S28. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO http://www.safercar.gov.

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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 required 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).

As stated in Part 573.7, 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, owner notification is expected to begin on August 7, 2006. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before October 30, 2006.

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.

George H. Person

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

Sincerely