IMPORTANT RECALL NOTICE

[RECALL 156: WINDSHIELD WIPER ARMS 2003-2006 XC90 SAMPLE OWNER NOTIFICATION LETTER UNITED STATES]

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Dear Volvo Owner:

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

The reason for this campaign:

Volvo Cars of North America, LLC. (Volvo) has decided that a defect related to motor vehicle safety exists in the windshield wiper arm of certain model year 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 Volvo XC90 vehicles.

If the windshield wiper arm is activated in extreme winter weather conditions, without lifting the wiper arms and cleaning the windshield prior to operation, the wiper arm might slip on its driveshaft, resulting in an inability to move the wipers from parking position. Failure of the wiper arms may cause limited visibility.

The corrective action will be to install reinforced wiper arms and retaining nuts in addition to a torque angle assembly.

<u>Important Note:</u> To ensure proper operation of the windshield wipers under any conditions, particularly ice and snow, please make sure the area around the wipers is free of any debris.

What you need to do:

Please call your authorized Volvo retailer as soon as possible to schedule an appointment. This procedure will be completed at no cost and will take approximately 30 minutes. Due to service scheduling, your Volvo retailer may require your vehicle for a longer period of time.

If you previously paid to have this corrective action performed, your authorized Volvo retailer will honor your receipt with a refund. Please contact the Service Department for details.

Please contact:

If you have any questions, please contact your Volvo retailer. If your retailer is unable to answer your questions, please contact Volvo Customer Care Center at 7 Volvo Drive, Rockleigh, NJ 07647 or phone 1-800-458-1552, Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Eastern Time. You may also e-mail us at customercare@volvoforlife.com.

We have advised the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) that we are conducting this recall. If you are unable to have this procedure performed without charge and within a reasonable period of time, you may contact the NHTSA Administrator at 1-888-327-4236. The address is 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20590.

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days. Lessor means a person or entity that is the owner, as reflected on the vehicle title, of any five or more leased vehicles.

Your safety and continued satisfaction with your Volvo and the Volvo organization are very important to us. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and we appreciate your cooperation in arranging to have this important service completed as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

Eunice Stern Manager, Customer Care

Please note: According to Insurance Institute for Highway Safety President Adrian Lund, "It is <u>very</u> important that owners of vehicles in which safety-related problems have been identified take those vehicles back to dealerships as soon as they receive notice of a recall or service campaign. Such notices should not be ignored or taken lightly..."