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July 25, 2006

Mr. Daniel Smith  
Associate Administrator, Safety Assurance  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
400 Seventh Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Smith:

Reference: NHTSA Identification Number 06V-147

Enclosed are representative copies of communications relating to the 2006 model year vehicles involved in the referenced recall. DaimlerChrysler expects to notify dealers during the week of July 31, 2006 and to begin owner notification during the week of August 7, 2006. The exact number of manufactured vehicles in the recall is 6,664.

The involved Vehicle Identification Number range is:

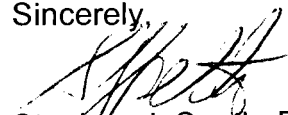
<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>
6P706022	6P757072

(VIN last eight characters) - 6 = 2006 model year; P = Toledo #2 Assembly Plant, Toledo Ohio; and the last six digits = sequential number.

**We caution that the above range represents only the lowest and highest VIN sequential numbers included in the recall. This range cannot be used to determine conclusively that a vehicle is involved in the recall because most vehicles with a VIN within the range are not affected by the recall.**

This completes DaimlerChrysler's package of information for this recall as required by the Defects Report Regulation.

Sincerely,



Stephan J. Speth, Director  
Vehicle Compliance and Safety Affairs

Enclosure: Recall F22

cc: K.C. DeMeter

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Dealer Service Instructions for:

## **Safety Recall F22 - Clutch Pedal Pushrod**

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### **Models**

**2006 (TJ) Jeep® Wrangler**

*NOTE: This recall applies only to the above vehicles equipped with a manual transmission built from November 3, 2005 through February 13, 2006 (MDH 110306 through 021306).*

*IMPORTANT: Many of the vehicles within the above build period have already been repaired and, therefore, have been excluded from this recall.*

**IMPORTANT: Some of the involved vehicles may be in dealer new vehicle inventory. Federal law requires you to complete this recall service on these vehicles before retail delivery.** Dealers should also consider this requirement to apply to used vehicle inventory and should perform this recall on vehicles in for service. Involved vehicles can be determined by using the VIP inquiry process.

### **Subject**

The clutch pedal pushrod on about 6,600 of the above vehicles may break and allow clutch engagement when the pedal is depressed. This can increase the vehicle's stopping distance and/or cause engine stalling, which can result in a crash without warning.

### **Repair**

The clutch pedal pushrod, plastic spacer, foam seal, and interlock switch cover must be replaced.

**Parts Information**

<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
<b>CBA0F220</b>	<b>Clutch Pedal Pushrod Package</b>

Each package contains the following components:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Pushrod, Clutch Pedal
1	Spacer, Plastic
1	Seal, Foam
1	Cover, Interlock Switch

**Each dealer** to whom vehicles in the recall were assigned will receive enough Clutch Pedal Pushrod Packages to service about **20%** of those vehicles.

**Special Tools**

**The following special tool is required to perform this repair:**

9968-F22      Clutch Pedal Pushrod Release Tool

All dealers were sent one (1) Clutch Pedal Pushrod Release Tool in late July, 2006 free of charge.

Additional release tools may be purchased from Miller Special Tools by calling 1-800-801-5420.

**NOTE: Additional release tools are not reimbursable by DaimlerChrysler.**

**Service Procedure**

**NOTE:** In Figures 2 through 4 the clutch master cylinder was removed from the vehicle for photographic purposes only. Do not remove the clutch master cylinder from the vehicle. All repair procedures can be performed with the clutch master cylinder installed in the vehicle.

1. Disconnect the clutch pedal pushrod from the clutch pedal pivot ball stud (Figure 1).

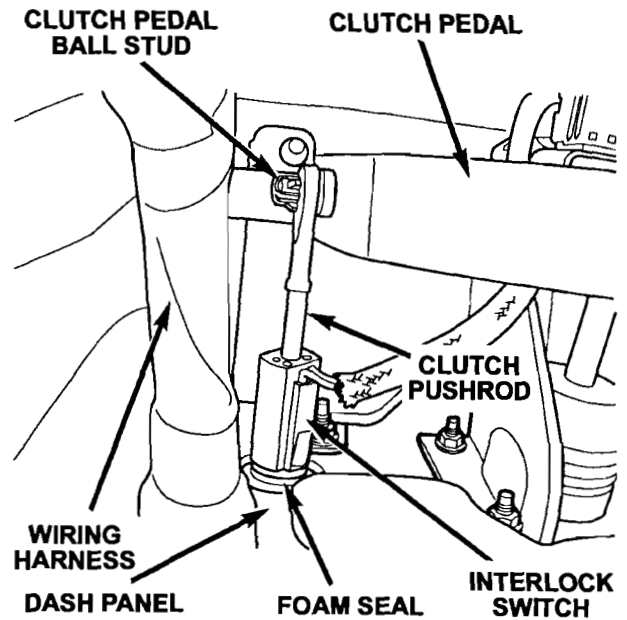


Figure 1 – Under Dash View

2. Remove the interlock switch cover by depressing the cover tabs inward and sliding the cover rearward (Figure 2). Discard the original switch cover.

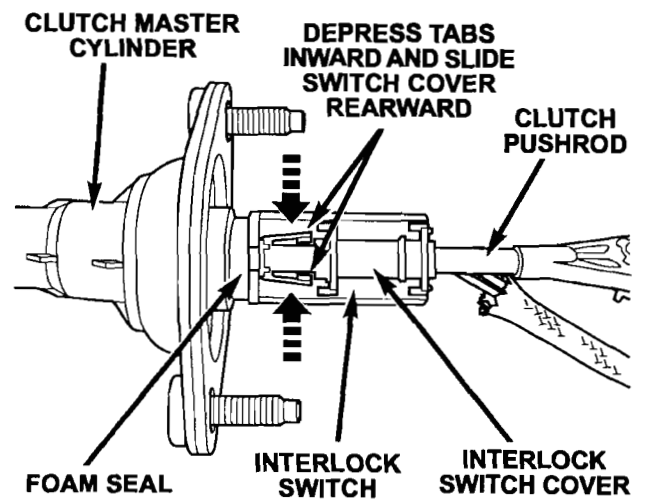


Figure 2

**Service Procedure (Continued)**

3. Remove the interlock switch from the clutch pedal pushrod (Figure 3).
  4. Move the clutch pedal pushrod foam gasket and switch spacer rearward to gain access to the clutch pedal pushrod retainers.
  5. Place Special Tool 9968-F22 around the clutch pushrod and slide the tool down the pushrod into the clutch master cylinder base (Figure 4).
  6. With the release tool installed, pull rearward to remove the clutch pedal pushrod and release tool as an assembly.
- Discard the old clutch pedal pushrod, foam gasket, and plastic spacer.

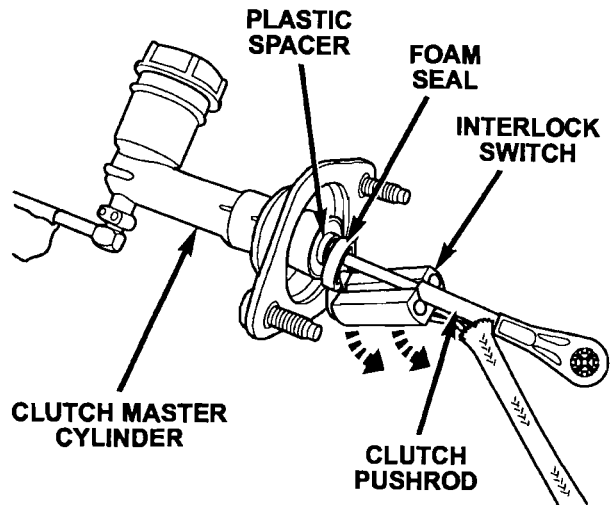


Figure 3

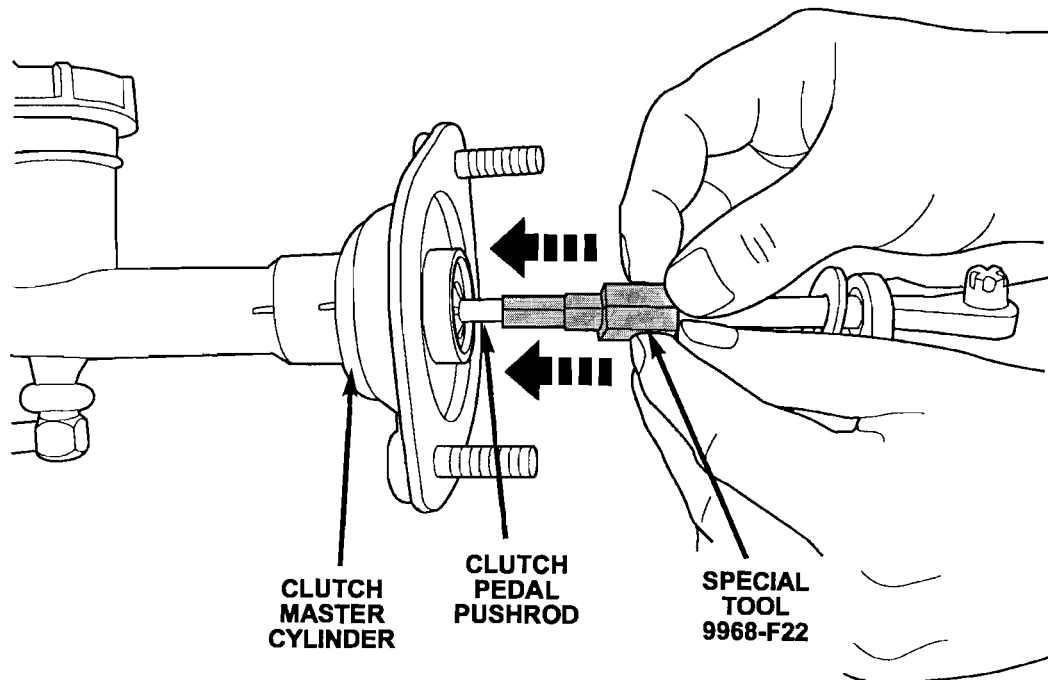
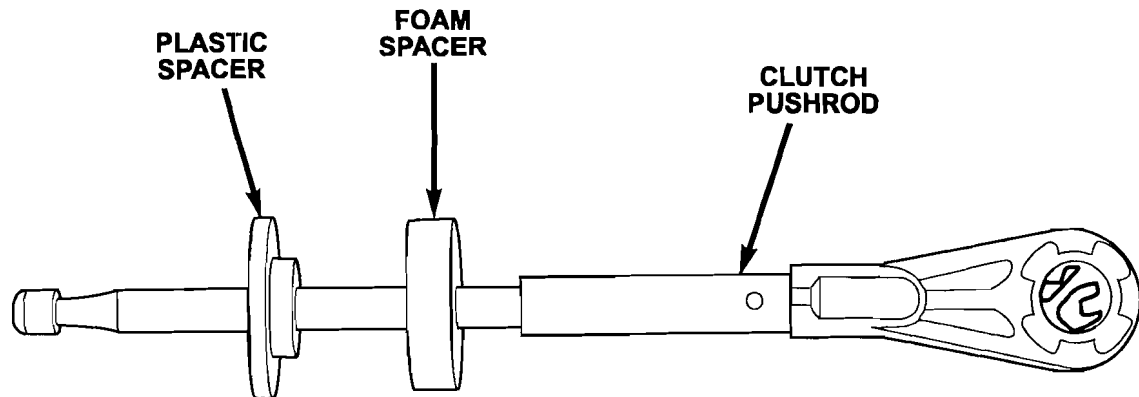


Figure 4

**Service Procedure (Continued)****Figure 5**

7. Place the new foam gasket and plastic spacer onto the new clutch pedal pushrod as shown in Figure 5.

**CAUTION: The raised shoulder on the plastic spacer must face towards the foam spacer.**

8. Insert the new clutch pedal pushrod, foam gasket, and plastic spacer as an assembly into the base of the hydraulic clutch master cylinder.
9. Slide the foam gasket and switch spacer forward, against the base of the hydraulic clutch master cylinder.
10. Connect the clutch pedal pushrod to the clutch pedal pivot ball stud.
11. Install the clutch interlock switch onto the clutch pedal pushrod.
12. Install the new interlock switch cover provided in the repair kit.

**NOTE: After installation, move the interlock switch back and forth on the clutch pedal pushrod to insure that it is installed correctly and there is no binding.**

**Completion Reporting and Reimbursement**

Claims for vehicles that have been serviced must be submitted on the DealerCONNECT Claim Entry Screen located on the Service tab. Claims submitted will be used by DaimlerChrysler to record recall service completions and provide dealer payments.

Use the following labor operation number and time allowance:

	<b>Labor Operation Number</b>	<b>Time Allowance</b>
Replace Hydraulic Clutch pushrod	06-F2-21-82	0.2 hours

Add the cost of the recall parts package plus applicable dealer allowance to your claim.

NOTE: See the Warranty Administration Manual, Recall Claim Processing Section, for complete recall claim processing instructions.

**Dealer Notification**

All dealers will receive a copy of this dealer recall notification letter by mail. Two additional copies will be sent through the DCMMS. To view this notification on DealerCONNECT, select “Global Recall System” on the Service tab, then click on the description of this notification.

**Owner Notification and Service Scheduling**

All involved vehicle owners known to DaimlerChrysler are being notified of the service requirement by first class mail. They are requested to schedule appointments for this service with their dealers. A generic copy of the owner letter is attached.

Enclosed with each owner letter is an Owner Notification postcard to allow owners to update our records if applicable.

Dealers are encouraged to consider alternative scheduling and servicing approaches for this recall. This repair does not require hoists or other full service facility special equipment and is a DaimlerChrysler Mobile Service approved repair.

**Vehicle Lists, Global Recall System, VIP and Dealer Follow Up**

All involved vehicles have been entered into the DealerCONNECT Global Recall System (GRS) and Vehicle Information Plus (VIP) for dealer inquiry as needed.

GRS provides involved dealers with an updated VIN list of their incomplete vehicles. The owner's name, address and phone number are listed if known. Completed vehicles are removed from GRS within several days of repair claim submission.

To use this system, click on the “**Service**” tab and then click on “**Global Recall System.**” Your dealer's VIN list for each recall displayed can be sorted by: those vehicles that were unsold at recall launch, those with a phone number, city, zip code, or VIN sequence.

**Dealers must perform this repair on all unsold vehicles before retail delivery.** Dealers should also use the VIN list to follow up with all owners to schedule appointments for this repair.

*Recall VIN lists may contain confidential, restricted owner name and address information that was obtained from the Department of Motor Vehicles of various states. Use of this information is permitted for this recall only and is strictly prohibited from all other use.*

**Additional Information**

If you have any questions or need assistance in completing this action, please contact your Service and Parts District Manager.

Customer Services Field Operations  
DaimlerChrysler Corporation



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## **SAFETY RECALL F22 – CLUTCH PEDAL PUSHROD**

Dear: (Name)

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

DaimlerChrysler Corporation has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in some **2006 model year Jeep® Wrangler vehicles equipped with a manual transmission.**

***The problem is...*** The clutch pedal pushrod on your vehicle (VIN: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx) may break and allow clutch engagement when the pedal is depressed. This can increase the vehicle's stopping distance and/or cause engine stalling, which can result in a crash without warning.

***What your dealer will do...*** DaimlerChrysler will repair your vehicle free of charge (parts and labor). To do this, your dealer will replace the clutch pedal pushrod. The work will take about ½ hour to complete. However, additional time may be necessary depending on how dealer appointments are scheduled and processed.

***What you must do to ensure your safety...*** Simply contact your dealer right away to schedule a service appointment. Ask the dealer to hold the parts for your vehicle or to order them before your appointment. **Remember to bring this letter with you to your dealer.**

***If you need help...*** If you have questions or concerns which your dealer is unable to resolve, please contact DaimlerChrysler at 1-800-853-1403.

Please help us update our records, by filling out the attached prepaid postcard, if any of the conditions listed on the card apply to you or your vehicle.

If you have already experienced this condition and have paid to have it repaired, you may send your original receipts and/or other adequate proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement: DaimlerChrysler P.O. Box 4639 Oak Ridge, TN 37831, Attention: Reimbursement.

If your dealer fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We're sorry for any inconvenience, but we are sincerely concerned about your safety. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Customer Services Field Operations  
DaimlerChrysler Corporation  
Notification Code F22

*Buckle up  
for Safety!*

Note to lessors receiving this recall: Federal regulation requires that you forward this recall notice to the lessee within 10 days.