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of Transportation

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Washington, DC 20590

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

April 30, 2007

JAMES VONDALE
DIRECTOR AUTOMOTIVE SAFETY OFFICE
FORD MOTOR COMPANY
330 TOWN CENTER DRIVE SUITE 400
DEARBORN MI 48126-2738

NVS-215dgl
07V-183

Subject: BRAKE LINE ROUTING/FMVSS 135

Dear MR. VONDALE:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent noncompliance 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/CROWN VICTORIA/2007
FORD/GRAND MARQUIS/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-183

Mfg's Report Date: April 24, 2007

Components: SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC: ANTILOCK: CONTROL UNIT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 630

Summary:

CERTAIN PASSENGER VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH ANTILOCK BRAKE SYSTEMS (ABS). FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 135, "PASSENGER CAR BRAKE SYSTEMS." THE FRONT AND REAR RIGHT SIDE BRAKE LINES MAY BE REVERSED AT THE ANTILOCK BRAKE SYSTEM HYDRAULIC CONTROL UNIT.

Consequence:

THE BRAKES MAY NOT OPERATE AS INTENDED, WHICH COULD RESULT IN A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE BRAKE LINE CONNECTIONS AND THE HYDRAULIC CONTROL UNIT AND REPOSITION THEM FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT MAY 3, 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT FORD AT 1-800-392-3673.

Notes:

FORD RECALL NO. 07C16. CUSTOMERS MAY 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](http://www.safercar.gov).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

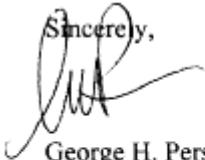
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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 or about May 3, 2007. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before July 30, 2007.

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@dot.gov or delia.lopez@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement