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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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ADAM KOPSTEIN
MANAGER, AUTOMOTIVE SAFETY
AND COMPLIANCE
VOLVO CARS OF N.A. LLC.
1 VOLVO DRIVE
ROCKLEIGH NJ 07006

NVS-215dgl 07V-221

Subject: JACK CRANK HANDLE LOCATION INSPECTION/LABEL

Dear MR. KOPSTEIN:

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:

VOLVO/XC90/2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-221 Mfg's Report Date: May 18, 2007

Components: ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY:CABLES

Potential Number of Units Affected: 42,211

Summary:

ON CERTAIN PASSENGER VEHICLES, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT WHILE DOING BATTERY MAINTENANCE THE JACK'S CRANK HANDLE CAN BE MISPLACED UNDER A BRACKET WHICH RETAINS THE BATTERY.

Consequence:

MISPLACEMENT OF THE JACK'S CRANK HANDLE CAN POSE A SAFETY RISK AS IT CAN RESULT IN A SHORT CIRCUIT OF THE BATTERY WHICH COULD THEN LEAD TO A FIRE.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND ENSURE PROPER PLACEMENT OF THE JACK CRANK HANDLE AND A WARNING LABEL WITH APPROVED TEXT WILL BE AFFIXED TO THE BRACKET WHICH RETAINS THE BATTERY. THIS WARNING LABEL WILL INFORM AN OPERATOR NOT TO PLACE THE JACK CRANK HANDLE BETWEEN THE BRACKET AND THE BATTERY FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT VOLVO AT 1-800-458-1552.

Notes:

VOLVO RECALL NO. SC179. 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.

This recall was the subject of an Engineering Analysis, EA06-006, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

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

Please provide an estimated dealer notification date as well as an owner notification date (month/day/year).

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).

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

Patricia Wallace

Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement