



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

June 18, 2007

JAMES VONDALE
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FORD MOTOR COMPANY
330 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 400
DEARBORN MI 48126-2738

NVS-215dgl
07V-238

Subject: REAR AXLE/DANA

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/F-650 SD/2007
FORD/F-750 SD/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-238

Mfg's Report Date: June 4, 2007

Components: POWER TRAIN:AXLE ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 31

Summary:

CERTAIN TRUCKS BUILT WITH DANA REAR AXLES, THE REAR AXLE MAY HAVE A HOUSING THAT WAS BUILT USING STEEL THAT WAS THINNER THAN SPECIFIED.

Consequence:

THROUGH NORMAL USE, THE AXLE HOUSING COULD FATIGUE AND DEVELOP A CRACK WHICH COULD RESULT IN A WHEEL END LOCK-UP OR SEPARATION, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE REAR AXLE HOUSING MATERIAL THICKNESS AND REPLACE THE AXLE FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IBEGAN ON JUNE 12, 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT FORD AT 1- 800-248-0186.

Notes:

FORD RECALL NO. 07S53. 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).

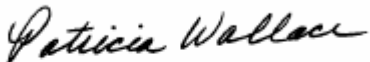
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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. 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, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or though the office email at RMD.ODI@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