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Dear Mr. Smith:

Subject: Supplement to Ford Recall No. 05S28

Summary

- Ford Action -- Ford is supplementing its prior recall 05S28 to include certain 2002 model year Ford E-550 gasoline engine vehicles, and early-build 2003 model year Ford F-150, F-250-550 Super Duty, Ford Excursion, Ford E-550 gasoline or natural gas engine vehicles, and Lincoln Blackwood vehicles that may use the same speed control deactivation system configuration as 2002 model year vehicles subject to the earlier recall.
- Number of Vehicles Involved – Ford estimates that there are approximately 155,584 vehicles originally produced for sale in the United States and Federalized Territories.
- Effect on Vehicle Operation -- The speed control deactivation switch may, under certain conditions, overheat, smoke, or burn.
- Service Procedure -- Owners will be instructed to return vehicles to the dealers for installation of a fused wiring harness to eliminate the potential risk for a fire.

Attached is the detailed information required by the applicable portions of 49 CFR Part 573 - Defect and Non-Compliance Report.

Sincerely,

James P. Vondale

Attachment



49 CFR Part 573 --DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT
05S28 - CERTAIN 2002 MODEL YEAR FORD E-550 AND EARLY-BUILD 2003 MODEL YEAR
FORD F-150, F-250-550 SUPER DUTY, FORD EXCURSION, FORD E-550 AND LINCOLN
BLACKWOOD GASOLINE OR NATURAL GAS ENGINE VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH SPEED
CONTROL, EXCLUDING VEHICLES PREVIOUSLY INCLUDED IN SAFETY RECALL 05S28 –
SPEED CONTROL SYSTEM

Pursuant to Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Defect and Noncompliance Reports, Ford Motor Company submits the following information concerning a safety recall action that it is voluntarily initiating.

573.6 (c) (2) - Potentially Affected Vehicles

Vehicles potentially affected are identified below.

Vehicles	MY	Apx Volume	Assembly Plant	Build Date Range
F-150	2003	131,977	Norfolk, Ontario, Kansas City	From: 29-Jul-2002 (Job #1) Up to and including: 30-Oct-2002
F-150	2003	425	Cuautitlan	From: 12-Aug-2002 (Job #1) Up to and including: 30-Oct-2003
F-250-550	2003	30,026	Kentucky Truck	From: 01-Aug-2002 (Job #1) Up to and including: 03-Nov-2002
F-250-550	2003	490	Cuautitlan	From: 01-Aug-2002 (Job #1) Up to and including: 06-Jan-2003
Excursion	2003	5,071	Kentucky Truck	From Job #1 Up to and including: 3-Nov-2002
Blackwood	2003	204	Kansas City	From Job #1 through Job Last
E-550	2002-2003	136	Lorain Assembly Plant	From Job #1 through Job Last

Because these vehicles are not produced in VIN order, information as to the applicability of this action to specific vehicles can best be obtained by either calling Ford's toll-free line (1-800-392-3673) or by contacting a local Ford or Lincoln-Mercury dealer who can obtain specific information regarding the vehicles from the Ford On-line Automotive Service Information System (OASIS) database.

573.6 (c) (3) - Estimated Population of Vehicles Potentially Affected

Ford estimates that there are approximately 155,584 vehicles originally produced for sale in the United States and Federalized Territories.

573.6 (c) (4) - Estimated Percentage of Affected Vehicles with the Defect Condition

Unknown.

573.6 (c) (5) – Description of the Defect

These vehicles may have the same deactivation system configuration as some 2002 model year vehicles that were already subject to Safety Recall 05S28 and Ford is supplementing this recall on the basis of that similarity. On these vehicles, the speed control deactivation switch may, under certain conditions, overheat, smoke, or burn.

573.6 (c) (6) – Chronology of Events

In October 2006 Ford became aware of a 2003 model year F-150 vehicle equipped with the same speed control deactivation system configuration as 2002 model year F-150 vehicles that were already subject to Safety Recall 05S28. Ford began to inspect 2003 model year vehicles to confirm the actual implementation dates of a revised deactivation system configuration, which was believed to have been implemented for the entire 2003 model year production. These inspections showed that the early-build 2003 model year vehicles included in this supplement were built with the earlier configuration. At the same time, we determined that certain 2002 model year E-550 gasoline engine vehicles may have the same configuration as the earlier recalled vehicles.

573.6 (c) (8) - Service Program

Owners will be instructed to return their vehicles to their dealers for installation of a fused wiring harness.

There will be no charge to owners for this service. Mailing of all owner notification letters will occur during the week of March 12, 2007. Ford's general reimbursement plan for the cost of remedies paid for by vehicle owners prior to of a safety recall was provided to the agency on February 28, 2007.

573.6 (c) (9) - Press statement and Dealer/Owner Letters

Ford does not plan to make a statement to the media concerning the subject matter of this action. A copy of the notification letters to dealers and owners from Ford will be forwarded to the agency when available.

573.6 (c) (11) - Recall Number

Ford has assigned recall number 05S28 to this action.

573.13 (c) (2) - Ending Date for Reimbursement

The ending date for reimbursement eligibility for remedies paid for by vehicle owners per Ford's general reimbursement plan is March 29, 2007.