

May 31, 2007

VIA DHL Express Mail

Kathleen C. DeMeter,
Director
Office of Defects Investigation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Recall Campaign

2002MY Kia Sportage Cooling Fan

NHTSA Recall No.: 07V-161; Kia Campaign No.: SC070

Dear Ms. DeMeter:

Please find attached additional materials regarding Kia's service campaign related to the 2002MY Kia Sportage cooling fan issue.

Included for your reference are representative copies of the Notice to Kia Dealer Principals, Notice to Kia Service Managers, the final Owner's Notification Letter, the final Owner Q&A letter, and the final Technical Service Bulletin (TSB).

It is anticipated that these items will be distributed under the following schedule:

May 30, 2007: Notice to Kia Scrvice Managers

June 4, 2007: Notice to Dealer Principals including TSB

June 8, 2007: Owners Notification begins

Should you or your staff have questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact me at the address listed below in writing.

Very truly yours,

Robert Babcock

Senior Manager,

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Regulation and Certification Department

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June 4, 2007 SC070

Attention: All Kia Service Managers

Kia Motors America, Inc., pursuant to the National Highway Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, is conducting a Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign on certain 2002 Sportage models. The heat generated by the engine causes stress to the engine cooling fan which is made of polypropylene. This can result in cracking or complete separation of the blades. Separation of the fan blade(s) can create a risk of personal injury. Enclosed is a Technical Service Bulletin that provides the following information:

- Vehicle Repair Procedures
- Affected VIN Production Range
- Warranty Claim Information

Also enclosed is a copy of the owner notification letter, a Q&A guide for recall questions, both of which describe the defect and the resulting risk to motor vehicle safety, and a list of retail Kia Sportage owners affected by the recall. The owner letter will be mailed on June 8, 2007, to those owners who have NOT already had the cooling fan replaced under warranty with the improved part. Please start performing the replacement on any affected 2002 Sportage produced from May 15, 2001 through October 2, 2002 immediately.

Please make certain the appropriate personnel in your dealership are familiar with the details of this recall to ensure proper responses to customer inquiries and requests to have the recall performed on their 2002 Sportage vehicles.

NHTSA ADVISORY: It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect is remedied.

LEGAL PRIVACY LIABILITY NOTICE: Pursuant to the terms of the Dealer Sales and Service Agreement and the Gramm-Leach-Bliley federal consumer privacy act, you are required to keep confidential any and all information and documents provided to you by Kia Motors America, Inc. or generated by you in the conduct of carrying out work under that Agreement regarding Kia vehicle purchasers and owners, including but not limited to warranty claim information. Kia dealers may use such owner information for the sole purpose of conducting and performing this voluntary recall campaign, and for no other purpose.

Your prompt attention in completing this recall is appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact your Kia District Parts & Service Manager.

Sincerely,

Noom Van der Reest Quality Analysis Manager

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GROUP
Campaign

MODEL Sportage

NUMBER 070

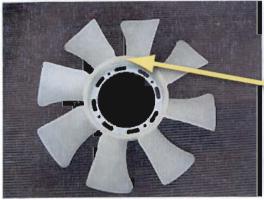
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TECHNICAL SERVICE BULLETIN

SUBJECT:

SAFFTY RECALL CAMPAIGN: SPORTAGE COOLING FAN BLADE REPLACEMENT

This bulletin provides information related to a safety recall campaign to replace the Cooling Fan Blade, 2002MY Sportage vehicles produced from 5/15/2001~10/2/2002 may experience fan blade cracking due to the heating and cooling of the plastic materials used for the fan blade. During normal engine operation the centrifugal force generated by the fan rotation can cause cracks and fan blade separation from the hub. Kia is replacing the fan blade with a version manufactured with improved material characteristics.







P/N: 0K038 15142 (Part number location)

*NOTICE

There is no charge to the vehicle owner for this repair. Under applicable law, you may not sell or otherwise deliver any affected 2002MY Sportage until it has been repaired pursuant to the procedures set forth in this bulletin.

*NOTICE

The information in this Technical Service Bulletin supersedes the information in Technical Service Bulletin Engine 014, issued in November 2003, which is no longer valid.

File Under: Campaign

Circulate To:

X General Manager

X Service Manager

X Parts Manager

X Service Advisor(s) Technician(s)

X Body Shop Manager X Fleet Repair

SUBJECT: SAFETY RECALL CAMPAIGN: SPORTAGE COOLING FAN BLADE REPLACEMENT

Inspection Procedure:

- Open hood and inspect for SC070 Campaign Completion Label in the engine compartment next to the air cleaner/resonator.
 - If label exists, NO FURTHER ACTION IS REQUIRED.
 - If label DOES NOT EXIST, continue to Repair Procedure.

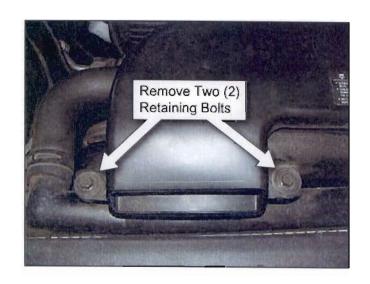




Campaign completion must be verified on the Warranty Coverage Validation Inquiry screen, prior to performing repairs (Kia Standard System (KSS) Main Menu-Option 3).

Repair Instructions:

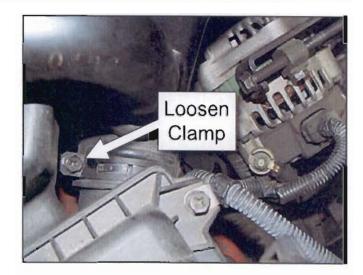
 Remove air intake assembly; remove two (2) bolts.



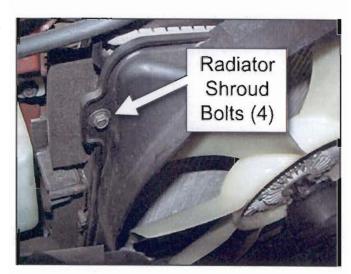
TSB: Service Campaign 070 Sportage May 2007

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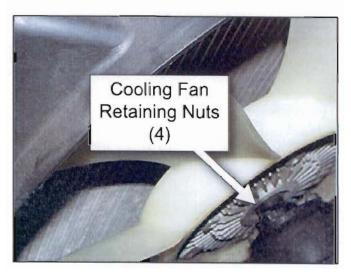
2. Loosen clamp on air intake assembly. Remove from vehicle.



3. Remove four (4) bolts from radiator shroud.



- 4. Remove the four (4) nuts from the cooling fan assembly to pulley mount.
 - a) With the radiator shroud loose, remove the cooling fan assembly. Be careful not to damage the radiator fins.



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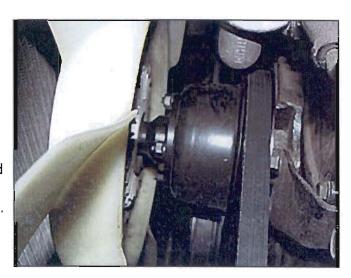
- 5. On the work bench: remove the four (4) bolts that secure the cooling fan to the clutch.
 - a) Discard old fan blade.
 - b) Transfer the clutch to the new replacement cooling fan.
 - c) Torque the bolts to 78~104 inch lbs. (8.8~11.7 Nm).



*NOTICE

Cooling fan clutch must be transferred to the replacement cooling fan blade, note offset during replacement. The fan clutch should be mounted to the recessed side of the fan blade.

- Install the fan assembly to the pulley mount after positioning fan inside the shroud. Be careful not to damage the radiator fins.
 - a) Torque the nuts to 68~100 inch lbs. (7.7~11.4 Nm).
 - b) Install the fan shroud, torque the bosts to 72 inch lbs. (8.1 Nm).
 - c) Install the air intake duct, install and tighten hose clamp; install and torque bolts to 89 inch lbs. (10 Nm).



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7. Install campaign completion label.



AFFECTED PRODUCTION RANGE:

2002 Sportage vehicles produced between 5/15/2001~10/2/2002.

PARTS INFORMATION:

Part Name	Part Number			
Fan Blade	0K038 15142QQK			
Campaign Completion Label	US020 SC070			

WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION:

Claim Type	Causal P/N	Qty.	N Code	C Code	The second secon	Labor Op Code	Time	Related parts	Qty.
R	0K038 15140A	0	N59	C63	Cooling Fan Blade Replacement	071010R0	0.4	0K038 15142QQK	1



SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

KIA MOTORS AMERICA, INC. Corporate Headquarters 111 Peters Canyon Road Irvine, CA 92606-1790

TEL: (949) 468-4800 FAX: (949) 468-4905

June 8, 2007

Dear Kia Sportage Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Kia Motors America, Inc. has decided that a defect relating to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2002 Sportage models.

What is the Problem?

The heat generated by the engine causes repeated bending deformation of the polypropylene
cooling fan including its retaining ring, which stresses the polypropylene thereby initiating
cracking of the blades. The centrifugal forces generated by the rotation of the blades can cause
the cracks to propagate until complete separation occurs. Separation of the fan blade(s) can
create a risk of personal injury.

What Will Kia Do?

Your Kia dealer will replace the engine cooling fan at no cost to you.

What Should You Do?

Please call your Kia dealer to schedule a service appointment. The time required to repair your
vehicle should be less than an hour. However, depending on the dealer's work schedule, it may
be necessary to make your vehicle available for a longer period of time. Therefore, scheduling
a service appointment is recommended to minimize inconvenience. Please present this notice
when you arrive at the dealer.

What if you have already paid to have this situation corrected?

• If you have incurred expense to remedy this defect prior to the date of this notice, you may have the opportunity to obtain reimbursement for that expense. Please contact the Kia Consumer Assistance number listed below for assistance in submitting your claim or mail your receipts with a cover letter directly to Kia for review and consideration:

Consumer Assistance Center Kia Motors America, Inc. P.O. Box 52410 Irvine, CA 92619-2410 1-800-333-4542

Have You Changed Your Address or Sold Your Kia?

• If you have changed your home address, sold your Kia vehicle, or no longer own your vehicle, please complete the attached prepaid "Change of Address/Ownership" card and mail it to us.

What if you are a vehicle lessor?

Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

What if you have other questions?

• If your dealer does not respond to your service request in a timely manner, we suggest that you call Kia's Consumer Assistance Center at 1-800-333-4542. This number has TTY capability. If you still are not satisfied that we have remedied this situation, without charge and within a reasonable amount of time, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 40990; 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

This action has been taken in the interest of your safety, and we regret any inconvenience this situation may cause you.

Sincercly,

Consumer Affairs Department



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR SAFETY RECALL CAMPAIGN (SC070)

2002 Sportage Engine Cooling Fau June 4, 2007

- Q1. What sort of campaign is Kia conducting?
- A1. Kia is conducting a Safety Recall Campaign on certain 2002 model year Sportage vehicles produced from May 15, 2001 through October 2, 2002.
- Q2. Why is Kia conducting this recall?
- A2. The heat generated by the engine causes stress to the engine cooling fan which is made of polypropylene. This can result in cracking or complete separation of the blades. Separation of the fan blade(s) can create a risk of personal injury.
- Q3. Can you describe the fix?
- A3. The dealer will replace the engine cooling fan blade with a fan mude of improved material.
- Q4. Have there been any deaths, injuries or accidents as a result of this condition?
- A4. No.
- Q5. Will this cost Sportage owners any money?
- A5. No. The replacement of the engine cooling fan blade will be done at no cost.
- Q6. How long will the replacement take?
- A6. The repair will take approximately I hour. However, depending on the dealer's work schedule, it may be necessary to make the vehicle available at the dealership for a longer period of time. Owners are being asked to contact their nearest dealer to schedule an appointment.
- Q7. How will owners of the affected vehicles be notified?
- A7. Within a week, Kia will notify owners of the affected vehicles by first-class mail
- Q8. Are there any restrictions on an owner's eligibility?
- A8. Yes. This campaign does not apply to any 2002 Sportage vehicles for which the cooling fan has already been replaced under warranty with a fun made of improved material.

- Q9. Where were the vehicles produced?
- A9. The affected vehicles were produced at Kia's Hwasung plant in South Korea.
- Q10. If a customer has an immediate question, where can they get further information?
- A10. They can contact Kia's Consumer Assistance Center at 1-800-333-4542 (Monday through Friday, SAM to 6PM, Pacific Standard Time).
- Q11. What if a customer has already incurred expense to have this problem remedied?
- All. If a customer has already incurred expense in replacing a cracked or broken cooling fan, they may submit their receipts directly to Kia for consideration of a reimbursement. A cover letter with receipts can be sent to: Consumer Assistance Center, Kia Motors America, Inc., P.O. Box 52410, Irvine, CA 92619-2410.