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2001 – 2004 Mazda Tribute Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS) Voluntary Safety Recall 4507C

Dear Mazda Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Mazda Motor Corporation has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists on certain 2001 – 2004 Mazda Tribute vehicles equipped with Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS). **If you are a recipient of this notice, your vehicle is included in this campaign.**

What is the problem?

On certain 2001-2004 Mazda Tribute vehicles, the Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS) Module connector may have missing or dislodged wire seals. This condition could allow contamination to enter the module connector creating a potential for an electrical short. An electrical short might cause an ABS malfunction that would illuminate the ABS warning light and, in some cases, the module may overheat resulting in burning odor, smoke, and/or fire. This condition could occur either when the vehicle ignition switch is in the off position or while the vehicle is being operated.

What will Mazda do?

Your dealer will inspect the wiring harness connector to the ABS module for missing or dislodged wire seals and repair or replace the harness connector as appropriate. Your dealer will also inspect the ABS module and replace it if its connector is corroded or damaged. These repairs will be performed free of charge (parts and labor).

The inspection should take approximately 20 minutes to complete. However, the wait time may be longer depending on the service workload at your dealership. If the wiring harness or ABS module requires replacement it may be necessary to leave your vehicle overnight. Your dealer will provide you with a complete explanation of any required repairs for this campaign.

As a reminder, the Mazda Driver's Assurance Plan may provide alternate transportation if your vehicle is within the mileage and time limitations under the Mazda New Vehicle Limited Warranty* and adheres to the Rental Car Reimbursement policy. Ask your dealer for details about the Mazda Rental Car Reimbursement Program.

* Mazda New Vehicle Limited Warranty: 2001 and 2002 model years is 36 months or 50,000 miles, whichever comes first; 2003 and 2004 model years is 48 months or 50,000 miles, whichever comes first.

What should you do?

Mazda is concerned about your safety and we encourage you to make an appointment with any authorized Mazda dealer to have the ABS Module connector inspected and if necessary, replaced. You do not need to bring this notice to the dealer, but it may assist in the check-in process.

What if you have already paid for repair on the ABS Module Connector?

If you have already paid for the inspection, repair or replacement of the ABS module or Front Harness due to a defect, you may be eligible for reimbursement of reasonable repair expenses based on Mazda's repair standards. Please complete the enclosed "Reimbursement Application Form," including the necessary documentation and mail it to us in the pre-addressed envelope provided allowing 6-8 weeks for processing.

Where is the closest Mazda dealer?

To locate your nearest Mazda dealer, visit our web site and try our "Locate a Dealer" feature at www.MazdaUSA.com or consult your local yellow pages.

Moved or no longer own this vehicle?

If you have moved or no longer own your Mazda Tribute, please complete the enclosed prepaid *Information Change Card* as soon as possible. This enables us to update our records and notify the current owner.

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

Still have questions?

If you have any questions regarding this campaign, please contact our Customer Assistance Center at (800) 222-5500, option #4.

If Mazda or its dealers do not repair the defect free of charge and within a reasonable amount of time, you may notify the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590; 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>.

Your safety is a priority for Mazda. We actively work to improve our products and search for solutions to improve your ownership experience. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this program may have caused you.

Sincerely,

Mazda North American Operations

REIMBURSEMENT PLAN

Requirements for Reimbursement

If you meet **all** of the following requirements, you are eligible to receive reimbursement under this plan:

1. An authorized Mazda dealer has inspected your vehicle and completed the 2001-2004 Mazda Tribute Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS) Voluntary Safety Recall 4507C
2. You own or have owned a subject 2001-2004 Mazda Tribute equipped with ABS within the VIN ranges:

Model	VIN Range	Production Date Range
2001-2004 Mazda Tribute w/ABS	4F2*U** 1* 1K M00199 – M72183 4F2*U** 1* 2K M00002 – M66656 4F2*Z** 1* 3K M00001 – M56581 4F2*Z** 1* 4K M00004 – M34822	April 17, 2000 through December 19, 2003

Note: The asterisk “*” can be any number or letter.

3. You have paid for the inspection, repair or replacement of the ABS module or Front Harness.
4. You have an original or legible copy of the paid repair order or invoice receipt showing:
 - Description of the concern reported
 - Inspection, repair or replacement of the ABS module and/or Front Harness.
 - Itemized part(s) and labor charges
 - Vehicle model and year, and vehicle identification number (VIN)
 - Repair date
 - Repair mileage
 - Name, address, and telephone number of the authorized Mazda Dealer or a licensed repair shop where such repairs were performed
 - Your name and address at the time of repair
5. Mail this reimbursement application form in the enclosed envelope to:

Mazda North American Operations
PO Box 5049
Lake Forest, CA 92609-8549

Procedure for Reimbursement Request

Once your vehicle has been inspected, repaired or replaced the ABS module and/or Front Harness by an authorized Mazda dealer, you may apply for reimbursement by doing the following:

1. Complete the Reimbursement Application Form found on the reverse side of this page.
2. Mail the Reimbursement Application Form with a legible copy of the paid repair order and/or invoice using the enclosed envelope.
3. **Retain copies** of the paid repair order or invoice and this application form for your records.

If you wish to correspond with Mazda regarding this reimbursement plan, please write to the above address and refer to your vehicle identification number (VIN).

Any reimbursement application form that is incomplete, illegible, or sent without the legible copy of the paid repair order or invoice will be returned for completion. If Mazda has any questions concerning your application for reimbursement, you may be contacted. Please allow 6-8 weeks for processing.

(SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR APPLICATION FORM)

