



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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NVS-215dgl  
10V-202

**SUBJECT: RIGHT HAND PARKING BRAKE CABLE RETENTION ACTUATOR**

DEAR MR. VONDALE:

This letter serves to acknowledge Ford Motor Company's (Ford) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

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/RANGER/2010

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 10V-202

**Mfg's Report Date:** May 6, 2010

**Components:** PARKING BRAKE: DRIVELINES: HYDRAULIC: ACTUATOR

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 2,934

**Summary:**

FORD IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 RANGER VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM JUNE 8, 2009 THROUGH FEBRUARY 2, 2010 EQUIPPED WITH MANUAL TRANSMISSION. IT IS POSSIBLE FOR THE PARKING BRAKE CABLE TO BECOME DISCONNECTED FROM THE RIGHT REAR ACTUATOR DURING COLD WEATHER. THIS MAY OCCUR WHEN THE PARKING BRAKE IS RELEASED IF WET PARKING BRAKE SHOES HAVE FROZEN IN THE APPLIED POSITION. IF THE RIGHT REAR PARKING BRAKE CABLE BECOMES DISCONNECTED, THE PEDAL WILL HAVE EXTENDED TRAVEL AND MAY NOT FULLY APPLY THE PARKING BRAKE.

**Consequence:**

A MANUAL TRANSMISSION VEHICLE PARKED IN NEUTRAL WITHOUT A FULLY APPLIED PARKING BRAKE MAY HAVE UNINTENDED MOVEMENT WHICH MAY CAUSE A CRASH

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSTALL A REVISED RIGHT REAR PARKING BRAKE ACTUATOR TO PREVENT CABLE DISCONNECTION FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR BEFORE MAY 19, 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT FORD AT 1-866-436-7332.

**Notes:**

FORD'S RECALL CAMPAIGN NUMBER IS 10S12. 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).

The information in your noncompliance report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.

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 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at [Delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Person', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

George H. Person  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement