



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

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10V-564

SUBJECT: CURTAIN AIR BAG

DEAR MR. KOPSTEIN:

This letter serves to acknowledge Volvo Cars of North America, LLC's 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:
VOLVO/XC60/2010

NHTSA Campaign Number: 10V-564

Mfg's Report Date: November 9, 2010

Components: AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 58

Summary:

VOLVO IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 XC60 VEHICLES. THE CURTAIN AIR BAGS MAY HAVE BEEN MIS-ASSEMBLED DURING THE MANUFACTURING PROCESS. THIS MAY CAUSE AN AIR BAG TO NOT DEPLOY OR NOT DEPLOY AS INTENDED.

Consequence:

IF THE CURTAIN AIR BAG DOES NOT PERFORM AS INTENDED IN THE EVENT OF A VEHICLE CRASH NECESSITATING DEPLOYMENT OF THAT AIR BAG, IT MAY NOT PROPERLY PROTECT THE OCCUPANT, INCREASING THE RISK OF INJURIES.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE LEFT AND RIGHT CURTAIN AIR BAG ASSEMBLY AND ADJUST IF NECESSARY. THIS SERVICE WILL BE PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING NOVEMBER 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT VOLVO AT 1-800-458-1552 OR AT CUSTOMERCARE@VOLVOFORLIFE.COM.

Notes:

VOLVO SAFETY RECALL NO. R233. 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 defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it does not meet all the requirements of Part 577.

Second sentence should read i.e., "Volvo has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain model year 2010 XC60 vehicles."

Under *The reason for Recall 233*:

Please change all reference from Inflatable Curtains (IC) to Curtain Air Bag.

A risk needs to be added i.e., "If the curtain air bag is not correctly assembled and a crash occurs where the deployment of the curtain air bag is required, it may not deploy as intended and therefore will not be able to properly protect the occupant, increasing the risk of injuries."

Also, please delete sentence that reads: "This poses an unreasonable risk to motor vehicle safety."

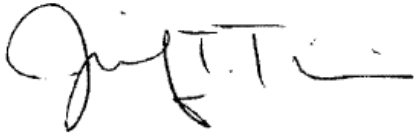
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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 30 days after the 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, or through the office email at 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 "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement