#### Safety Recall A0A - (MODEL) Vehicles Accelerator Pedal Reinforcement Bar Installation SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

Dear Toyota Customer:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Toyota has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in (MY) model year (Model) vehicles.

### What is the condition?

There is a possibility that certain accelerator pedal mechanisms may mechanically stick in a partially depressed position or return slowly to the idle position. Over time, the internal mechanisms in the accelerator pedal may become worn. As a result of this wear combined with certain operating and environmental conditions, friction in the mechanism may increase and intermittently result in the accelerator pedal being hard to depress and/or slow to return or, in the worst case, stick in a partially open position, increasing the risk of a crash.

#### What will Toyota do?

Any authorized Toyota dealer will install a precision-cut steel reinforcement bar into the accelerator pedal assembly, which will increase the clearance in between the internal mechanisms in the accelerator pedal assembly. This increased clearance will reduce the friction caused by wear and environmental conditions and allow the pedal to operate smoothly for the life of the vehicle. The safety recall remedy will be performed at **no charge** to the vehicle owner.

#### What should you do?

#### This is an important Safety Recall

Please contact your authorized Toyota dealer to install the precision-cut steel reinforcement bar into the accelerator pedal assembly as soon as possible. The installation will take approximately 30 minutes. However, depending upon the dealer's work schedule and the inspection results, it may be necessary for you to make your vehicle available for a longer period of time.

## We request that you present this notice to the dealer at the time of your service appointment.

If you would like to update your vehicle ownership or contact information, please go to <u>www.toyota.com/ownersupdate</u>. You will need your full 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) to input the new information.

#### What if you have other questions?

Your local Toyota dealer will be more than happy to answer any of your questions and set up an appointment to perform this important Safety Recall. If you require further assistance, you may contact the Toyota Customer Experience Center at 1-888-270-9371 Monday through Friday, 5:00 am to 6:00 pm, Saturday 7:00 am through 4:00 pm Pacific Time. Your satisfaction is extremely important to us. If you are not satisfied with the accelerator pedal operation or the feel of the pedal after the reinforcement bar has been installed, a replacement accelerator pedal will be offered at no charge when they become available.

If you believe that the dealer or Toyota has failed or is unable to remedy the defect within a reasonable time, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E., Washington, DC 20590 or call the toll free Vehicle Safety Hot Line at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

# What if you have previously paid for your vehicle's accelerator pedal to be replaced to address the specific condition described above?

If you have previously paid for your vehicle's accelerator pedal to be replaced to address the specific condition described above, please mail a copy of your repair order, proof-of-payment, and proof-of-ownership to the following address for reimbursement consideration:

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc Toyota Customer Experience, WC10 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90509

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

We have sent this notice in the interest of your continued satisfaction with our products and we sincerely regret any inconvenience this condition may have caused you.

Thank you for driving a Toyota.

Sincerely,

TOYOTA MOTOR SALES, U.S.A., INC.