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2010 Escape Vehicle ID #:

10C12

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

Ford Motor Company has decided that your vehicle, with the Vehicle Identification Number shown above, fails to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 114 – Theft Protection and Rollaway Prevention.

We apologize for this situation and want to assure you that, with your assistance, we will correct this condition. Our commitment, together with your dealer, is to provide you with the highest level of service and support.

What is the issue?

On your vehicle, the retaining pin holding the park pawl rod guide may not be present in the transmission. If the retaining pin is not present when the transmission is shifted into park, the park pawl may not engage. A vehicle parked without an engaged park pawl and without an applied parking brake may have unintended movement which may cause a crash.

What will Ford and your dealer do?

Ford Motor Company has authorized your dealer to inspect your transmission for the presence of the retaining pin holding the park pawl rod guide and install a retaining pin as necessary free of charge (parts and labor).

How long will it take? The time needed for this repair is less than one-half day. However, due to service scheduling requirements, your dealer may need your vehicle for a longer period of time. In addition, your vehicle will require inspection prior to determining if parts need to be ordered.

What should you do?

Please call your dealer without delay and request a service date for Recall 10C12. Provide the dealer with the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) of your vehicle. The VIN is printed near your name at the beginning of this letter.

Remember to apply the parking brake whenever exiting your vehicle.

If you do not already have a servicing dealer, you can access <u>www.Fordowner.com</u> for dealer addresses, maps, and driving instructions.

What should you do? (Continued)

Ford Motor Company wants you to have this compliance recall completed on your vehicle. The vehicle owner is responsible for making arrangements to have the work completed. Ford Motor Company can deny coverage for any vehicle damage that may result from the failure to have this recall performed on a timely basis. Therefore, please have this recall performed as soon as possible.

Please note: Federal law 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 no longer own this vehicle?

If you no longer own this vehicle, and have an address for the current owner, please forward this letter to the new owner.

You received this notice because government regulations require that notification be sent to the last known owner of record. Our records are based primarily on state registration and title data, which indicate that you are the current owner.

Can we assist you further?

If you have difficulties getting your vehicle repaired promptly and without charge, please contact your dealership's Service Manager for assistance.

RETAIL OWNERS: If you still have concerns, please contact the Ford Motor Company Customer Relationship Center at 1-866-436-7332 and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. For the hearing impaired call 1-800-232-5952 (TDD). Representatives are available Monday through Friday: 8:00AM - 5:00PM (Your Local Time).

If you wish to contact us through the Internet, our address is: www.Fordowner.com.

<u>FLEET OWNERS</u>: If you still have concerns, please contact the Fleet Customer Information Center at 1-800-34-FLEET, select option #3 and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. Representatives are available Monday through Friday: 8:00AM - 5:00PM (Your Local Time).

Or you may contact us through the Internet at www.fleet.ford.com.

If you are still having difficulty getting your vehicle repaired in a reasonable time or without charge, you may write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the toll free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153) or go to www.safercar.gov.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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