# **OWNER THIRD NOTIFICATION LETTER VEHICLES MORE THAN 10 YEARS OLD**

# **"URGENT SAFETY RECALL – THIRD NOTICE"**

DATE

#### Dear XXXXXXX:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Isuzu Motors Limited has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain model year (MY) 1998-2002 Rodeo vehicles and certain MY 2002 Axiom vehicles originally or currently registered in the following states (the "Salt Belt"): Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, the District of Columbia, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, and Missouri. According to our records, your vehicle has not yet received the remedy for this defect. <u>Therefore, we urge you to bring your vehicle to one of our service facilities for an inspection and an appropriate repair.</u>

# WHAT IS THE CONDITION?

Certain Isuzu vehicles that have experienced sustained exposure to highly corrosive materials used in some jurisdictions for road deicing purposes may experience excessive corrosion in the vicinity of the forward mounting point bracket for the left or right rear suspension lower link prior to the time that such corrosion would normally be expected. In certain extreme cases, excessive corrosion in this vicinity may result in a lower link bracket becoming detached from the frame, which can affect vehicle handling and potentially cause a crash.

### WHAT WE WILL DO

An Isuzu service facility will inspect the left and right forward mounting point bracket areas of the rear suspension lower link of your vehicle to determine if corrosion is present in those areas. For vehicles in which little or no corrosion is observed in those areas, the service facility will treat the areas with an anti-corrosion compound to reduce the likelihood of additional corrosion in those areas in the future. In the relatively rare case in which corrosion has damaged the area around either or both of the forward mounting point brackets of the rear suspension lower link and affected their connection to the vehicle's frame, one of two different types of reinforcement brackets will be installed, depending upon the extent of the corrosion. In the unlikely event that the reinforcement bracket remedy would not be effective, Isuzu will provide an alternative remedy. This service will be performed for you at **no charge**, subject to the limitations set out in the following paragraph.

Please note that because your vehicle was originally purchased more than ten years before September 22, 2010, which is the date on which Isuzu advised the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of this recall, Isuzu is not required to provide a remedy at no charge. However, as a courtesy, if you present your vehicle to an Isuzu service facility no later than twelve (12) months from the date of the first owner notification letter, which was mailed on December 13, 2010, Isuzu will voluntarily provide this remedy at no charge. If you wish to obtain the remedy after the expiration of this one-year period, you will need to pay for the necessary parts and labor. The current Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price ("MSRP") of the anti-corrosion compound is between approximately \$27.00 and approximately \$54.00, depending on how many cans of the compound are required. However, if your vehicle requires reinforcement brackets, the MSRP of the bracket kits plus the required anti-corrosion compound is currently approximately \$210.00 or approximately \$407.00, depending on which type of bracket is required. Labor charges will be in addition to the cost of the required parts.

For the majority of vehicles, the inspection and the application of the anti-corrosion compound will be all that is necessary, and that work will take approximately ninety minutes. If, however, the corrosion in the area(s) specified above is so extensive that it is necessary to install new reinforcement brackets, the repairs will take approximately three hours or ten hours, depending on which type of bracket is used. Of course, depending upon the service facility's work schedule and/or the need to have the necessary parts delivered to the service facility, it may be necessary for you to make your vehicle available for a longer period of time.

# WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

Please call the Isuzu Special Assistance Center at 1-877-460-0706 or visit our website at <u>www.isuzu.com</u> to identify the Isuzu service facility that is closest to you. Then, you should contact the service facility to arrange an appointment to bring your vehicle in to have the inspection and the remedy work performed. Please present this letter or refer to Safety Recall No. 10V-436.

If your vehicle is not drivable due to the conditions noted in this letter, please call the Isuzu Special Assistance Center at 1-877-460-0706 so we can arrange to have the vehicle transported to an Isuzu service facility to be inspected and to receive an appropriate remedy. That transportation will be provided at **no charge**.

## REIMBURSEMENT

If you have already paid for repairs to address the condition covered by this recall, you may be eligible to have those costs reimbursed. The enclosed form explains the terms under which reimbursement may be available and how to request reimbursement. Among other things, you will need to provide the original paid receipt or invoice verifying the repair and the costs of that repair.

If you have any questions regarding this matter you can visit our website at <u>www.isuzu.com</u> or contact our Special Assistance Center at 1-877-460-0706.

If you have any problems obtaining the needed repair or believe that this repair has not been made within a reasonable time, you may contact:

National Owner Relations Department Isuzu Motors America, LLC 1400 S. Douglass Road Suite 100 Anaheim, CA 92806

If you still are not satisfied, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, 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 <u>http://www.safercar.gov</u>.

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 regret any inconvenience that this action may cause you.

Sincerely,

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**IMPORTANT:** If you have sold or traded your Isuzu vehicle, please enter the owner's name and address, if known, on the attached "Change of Information" postcard, tear off at both perforations, and drop it in the mail. Postage has already been paid. We will contact the new owner.

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