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SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

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Subject: Recall of Part No. 2601662 Ball Joints Installed on Acura TL Vehicles

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Affinia Group, Inc., Global Brake & Chassis division, has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in NAPA Part No. 2601662 (replacement front suspension lower ball joints), when installed on Acura TL vehicles only. Our records indicate that you may have had this replacement part installed on your vehicle.

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?

Part No. 2601662 is intended as replacement equipment for Model Year 2003 – 2007 Honda Accord and Model Year 2004 - 2008 Acura TSX vehicles. On and after February 8, 2011, however, NAPA and NAPA dealers' parts application catalogue incorrectly specified that this part may also be used as a replacement part on Model Year 2004 – 2008 Acura TL vehicles. As a consequence, an installer relying on this incorrect information could potentially misapply this part on Acura TL vehicles. Misapplication of this part could lead to separation of the ball joint from the lower control arm and collapse of the front suspension, which could potentially cause a vehicle crash.

Affinia is conducting a recall to replace this part with the part specifically intended for Model Year 2004 – 2008 Acura TL vehicles. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** This part is not considered defective for the Honda Accord and Acura TSX applications noted above, and this recall does not apply to installations on these vehicles.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

If you purchased NAPA Part No. 2601662 through an installer for installation on an Acura TL vehicle, we urge you to contact your installing dealer as soon as possible to arrange an appointment to have the part replaced with the correct NAPA part (Part No. 2601791) or, if the NAPA replacement part is not available, with an OEM part. This work will be performed free of charge (parts and labor) to you.

If you purchased your product through a retailer, please contact Affinia Group at 815-759-7757 for return instructions.

If you have any questions, please call Affinia Group's Warranty Administrator at 815-759-7757. If you are unable to obtain a remedy without charge within a reasonable time, you may submit a complaint to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, D.C. 20590; or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4326 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Federal Regulations require any lessor receiving this letter to forward it to the lessee within 10 days.



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We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but we are taking this action in the interest of your personal safety and satisfaction with our products.

Sincerely,

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