

# DRAFT Letter A MOTOR VEHICLE RECALL

Dear 2007-2008 Elantra Owner:

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

Hyundai has decided that defects, which relate to motor vehicle safety, exist in certain model year 2007-2008 Hyundai Elantra vehicles that were produced during the period beginning on July 14, 2006 through August 29, 2007.

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 is the problem?**

- The weight classification system is designed to deactivate the right frontal airbag for occupants of certain weight. The electrical connector for the weight classification system is located under the center console, between the front seats. If a liquid is spilled in the cupholder on the center console, it may seep through the cupholder and may contaminate the connector. A contaminated weight classification system connector would enable the front passenger frontal airbag to deploy regardless of the weight of the occupant. Vehicle occupants would be alerted to the problem because the "AIR BAG" warning lamp will illuminate.

In addition, the driver's seat track position sensor determines the seat's fore and aft position and allows the driver frontal air bag to deploy at the pressure appropriate for that seating position, with a lower pressure deployment in the most forward seating positions. The air bag control module may receive an unstable electrical signal from the seat track position sensor. If this occurred, the "AIR BAG" warning lamp would illuminate and the airbag control module would operate in the default mode. In a crash that requires driver frontal airbag deployment, the default mode of the airbag control module would cause the driver airbag to deploy at the higher pressure intended for rearward seating positions, even if the seat was located in one of the forward positions.

Either of the above conditions may increase the risk of injury resulting from airbag deployment.

## **What will Hyundai do?**

- To ensure that your vehicle's air bag system operates properly, we are asking you to schedule an appointment as soon as possible to take your vehicle to your Hyundai dealer. The Hyundai dealer will install a protective cover over your vehicle's weight classification system connector and will also reprogram the air bag control module. This procedure will be performed at no charge to you. Repairs should take less than an hour. When you make an appointment, please confirm if the dealer's schedule will allow the work to be performed while you wait.

## **What should you do?**

- We urge you to call your Hyundai dealer to schedule an appointment to have this work performed as soon as possible.

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### **What if you have other questions?**

- If you have any difficulty having this repair performed, we recommend that you call the Hyundai Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-633-5151. If you are still not satisfied that we have remedied this situation without charge, and within a reasonable amount of time, you may wish to write to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, D.C. 20590, or call their toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

### **Reimbursement Notification**

- Hyundai has a program for reimbursing owners of 2007-2008 Elantras produced during the period beginning on July 14, 2006 through August 29, 2007 who paid to have the recall condition remedied after March 3, 2010 and prior to receiving this recall notification letter.

To obtain information about reimbursement from Hyundai, please call the Hyundai Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-633-5151. Ask about reimbursement information for campaign 099.

We urge your prompt attention to this important safety matter.

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