

### SAFETY RECALL NOTICE 12E-007

Ride Control, LLC has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in front ReadyMount™ Assemblies. Certain of these assemblies were produced with a nut without a necessary washer. The absence of the washer can allow the ReadyMount Assembly to pull apart the top mount. If the assembly separates during installation, it could result in injury to the installer. If the Assembly is on the vehicle, the driver may notice a rattle or rubbing noise coming from the front suspension area. In addition, there may be higher than normal steering efforts, decreased ride performance, or some difficulty in maintaining vehicle directional control. If the assembly separated while the vehicle was moving, it could result in secondary damage to surrounding vehicle components, which may result in a crash.

#### Part Numbers and Applications Affected

<u>Ride Control Part Number</u>	<u>Brand</u>	<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Model and Model Year</u>	<u>Application</u>
746641MT	Gabriel	G56944	2000-2005 Ford Focus	Front Left
746646MT	Gabriel	G56945	2000-2005 Ford Focus	Front Right
746641MT	Parts Master	G68944	2000-2005 Ford Focus	Front Left
746646MT	Parts Master	G68945	2000-2005 Ford Focus	Front Right

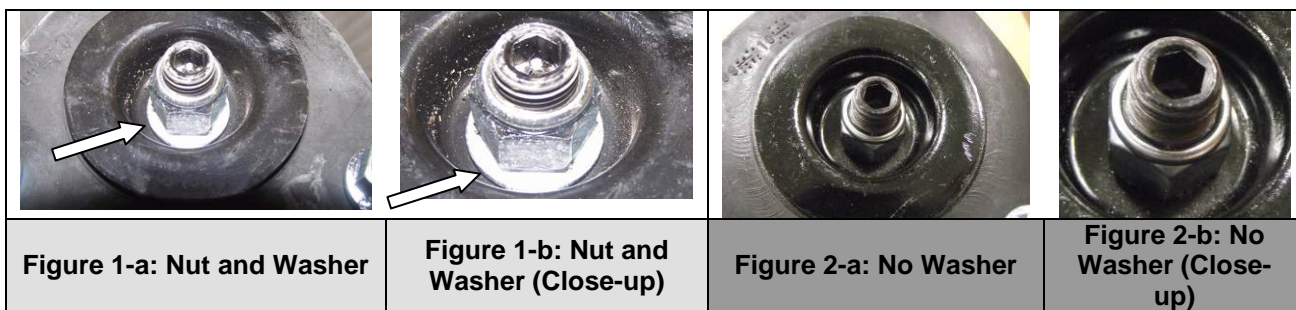
**What to Do:** Use the following visual inspection guidelines to determine if you may be affected by this recall.

**Visual Inspection Guidelines-How to determine if you are affected by Recall:**

- 1) Open hood to expose both Front Left and Front Right ReadyMount Assemblies.



- 2) Refer to below photos to determine if ReadyMount Assembly is affected by Recall



- 3) If a nut and washer is present as shown in Figure 1-a and 1-b, then the ReadyMount Assembly is not affected by this Recall.
- 4) If only a nut is present (no washer) as shown in Figure 2-a and 2-b, then the ReadyMount Assembly is affected by this Recall.
- 5) **Please contact Gabriel Technical Services toll free at 1-800-999-3903** to receive repair kit consisting of one new flange nut per ReadyMount Assembly Maximum of 2 per vehicle. Repair kit with flanged nut and Service Bulletin will be overnight expressed.