

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

April 2, 2013

Mr. Robert Babcock
Director, HATCI Certification and Compliance Affairs
Hyundai-Kia America Technical Center Inc
6800 Geddes Road

Superior Township, MI 48198

Subject: Headliner Support Bracket may cause Injury

Dear Mr. Babcock:

This letter serves to acknowledge Hyundai-Kia America Technical Center Inc's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NVS-215KS

13V-115

Makes/Models/Model Years:

HYUNDAI/ELANTRA/2011-2013

Mfr's Report Date: March 29, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-115

Components:

AIR BAGS:SIDE/WINDOW

STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 186,254

Problem Description:

Hyundai Motor Company is recalling certain model year 2011-2013 Elantra vehicles manufactured from November 12, 2010, through March 05, 2013. A support bracket attached to the headliner may become displaced during a side curtain airbag deployment.

Consequence:

If the headliner support bracket makes contact with an occupant during a crash, it may cause a laceration injury.

Remedy

Hyundai will notify owners, and dealers will apply adhesive strips to the headliner, free of charge. A remedy is expected to be available in May 2013. Owners may contact Hyundai at 1-800-633-5151. Hyundai's recall campaign number is 109.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.



This recall was the subject of an Engineering Analysis, EA12-008, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners, dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available. Please be reminded that it is expected owners will be notified of a safety defect in their vehicles within 60 days of a manufacturer's notification to NHTSA of a safety defect in those vehicles, irrespective of parts availability. You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers.

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Timian

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

