

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

December 8, 2014

Donna Baker Ford Motor Company 330 Town Center Ste. 500 Dearborn, MI 48126

**Subject:** Fuel Filter Bracket Mounting

Dear Donna Baker:

This letter serves to acknowledge Ford Motor Company'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-215SM

14V-708

#### Makes/Models/Model Years:

FORD/TRANSIT/2015

Mfr's Report Date: November 3, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-708

## **Components:**

FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE:STORAGE:TANK ASSEMBLY:MOUNTING

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 89

#### **Problem Description:**

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain model year 2015 Ford Transit vehicles manufactured July 28, 2014, to August 7, 2014. In the affected vehicles the fuel filter bracket mounting may detach from the frame cross member over time.

### **Consequence:**

A separation of the fuel filter from the cross member will disrupt distribution of fuel to the engine, thereby inducing an engine stall. An unexpected engine stall while driving increases the risk of a crash.

## Remedy:

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will install a reinforcement plate, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 15, 2014. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 14S23.

#### **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.



Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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 Sarah Mcshane who may be reached by phone at 202-366-7401, or by email at sarah.mcshane@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

