

**\* \* ADVANCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION NOTICE \* \***

**DATE:** October 14, 2014

**TO:** Mitsubishi Motors US and Puerto Rico Dealer Principals, General Managers, Service Managers, and Parts Managers

**RE:** 2008-2011 Lancer, Lancer Evolution, Outlander, 2009-2011 Lancer Sportback, and 2011 Outlander Sport – 4B1 Engine Drive Belt Detachment Safety Recall

**ATIN NO.** ATIN-14-SR-009-A

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**AFFECTED VEHICLES:** Certain 2008-2011 Lancer, Lancer Evolution, Outlander, 2009-2011 Lancer Sportback, and 2011 Outlander Sport vehicles built September 26, 2006 – June 22, 2011

**PURPOSE**

A safety recall campaign will be released today for the drive belt installed on certain 2008-2011 Lancer, Lancer Evolution, Outlander, 2009-2011 Lancer Sportback, and 2011 Outlander Sport vehicles built September 26, 2006 – June 22, 2011. This recall campaign will be conducted in the U.S. and Canada. The Recall Bulletin outlining the repair procedure will be available today on MEDIC and MDL.

The drive belt on affected vehicles may cause the pulley to wear unevenly. If use continues under this condition, the belt could become damaged and detach. A detached drive belt could lead to battery depletion and an overheated engine. The loss of power steering assist could also occur in vehicles with hydraulic power steering.

Dealers are requested to replace the drive belt with a countermeasure part, and if necessary, replace any unevenly worn pulley and/or auto-tensioner assembly.

Some dealers may be force allocated stock using a formula based on the proximity and percentage of applicable registered VINs by ZIP code. Parts shipments are processed via the 'R' order type and started shipping along with your scheduled stock order beginning Monday, October 13, 2014. Dealers may place additional orders via the MDL. Please refer to Parts Bulletin 37-XX-03-14 for additional information.

Notification letters will be sent to owners of affected vehicles, requesting they contact their local Authorized Mitsubishi dealership to schedule an appointment to have this recall performed.

Affected new vehicle inventory VINs can be reviewed on the Mitsubishi Dealer Link in the **Most Recent: Open Campaign List** available under the service section of “e-reports”. Dealers must review the Warranty Superscreen to confirm if any vehicles in their new or used vehicle inventories are affected, and conduct this campaign prior to delivering them. When checking for applicability of this campaign (C1409Z), please check for and complete any other open campaigns. Always get the customer’s approval before completing a campaign on a customer owned vehicle.

***IMPORTANT***

**Affected new or used inventory vehicles must be repaired before the vehicle is delivered. Dealers must check their inventory vehicles’ VINs on the Warranty Super Screen to verify whether the vehicle is involved in this recall campaign. It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by the notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.**