



**Subarunet Announcement**

**To: All Subaru Retailers**  
**From: Subaru of America, Inc.**  
**Date: December 10, 2015**

**Subject: UPDATE - Subaru Recall Campaign: WQV57 Propeller Shaft Attaching Bolt Torque**

- **Owner notification letters will be mailed today**
- **Affected VIN lists will be distributed to the regional offices**
- **emails will be sent to owners with a valid email address on file with [mysubaru.com](http://mysubaru.com)**

Subaru of America, Inc. (Subaru) is recalling certain 2016 model year Subaru Legacy and Outback vehicles to inspect and possibly tighten or replace the bolts that attach the propeller shaft to the rear differential.

***Description of the Safety Hazard***

The nuts and bolts that attach the propeller shaft to the rear differential may not have been properly torqued during production. As a result, the propeller shaft could detach from the rear differential while driving. There is a potential safety risk associated with this condition. If the propeller shaft detaches from the differential, the shaft could strike the fuel tank resulting in a possible fuel leak. There is a risk of fire if leaking fuel were to come in contact with an ignition source. This could happen without prior warning.

***Description of the Remedy***

The repair procedure will involve inspecting and possibly tightening or replacing the bolts that attach the propeller shaft to the rear differential. Please refer to the Product Campaign Bulletin on STIS for details.

***Affected Vehicles***

This condition may exist on certain vehicles listed below. NOTE: Not all vehicles within the range are affected. Coverage for all affected vehicles must be confirmed by using the Vehicle Coverage Inquiry function at [Subarunet.com](http://Subarunet.com).

Model Year	Model	Production Start Date	Production End Date
2016	Legacy	October 24, 2015	November 16, 2015
2016	Outback	October 24, 2015	November 17, 2015

***Retailer Program Responsibility***

A STOP SALE order has been issued. Any vehicles listed in a recall/campaign that are in retailer stock must be:

- Immediately identified.
- Tagged or otherwise marked to prevent their delivery or use prior to inspection and/or repair.
- Repaired in accordance with the repair procedures outlined in the Product Campaign Bulletin, which will be issued shortly.

Retailers are to promptly perform the applicable service procedures to correct all affected vehicles in their inventory (used, demo & SSLP). Additionally, whenever a vehicle subject to this recall is taken into retailer inventory, or in for service, necessary steps should be taken to ensure the recall correction has been made before selling or releasing the vehicle.