

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**16V-070****Manufacturer Name :** Kia Motors America**Submission Date :** FEB 04, 2016**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-070**Manufacturer Recall No. :** SC129**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Kia Motors America

Address : 111 Peters Canyon Road
Irvine CA 92606

Company phone : 800-333-4542

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 10,240

Estimated percentage with defect : 3

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle : 2011-2011 Kia Forte

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : ALL

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Certain 2011 MY Forte vehicles with automatic transaxle. These vehicles were not produced in VIN order. Information as to the applicability of this campaign to specific vehicles can be best obtained by calling Kia's Consumer Assistance Center at 1-800-333-4542.

Production Dates : AUG 27, 2010 - NOV 11, 2010

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The automatic transmission fluid cooler hose may have been improperly cured during the manufacturing process. As a result, certain vehicles may experience leaking transmission fluid thereby affecting vehicle mobility.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If sufficient fluid is lost, the loss of hydraulic pressure to the transaxle could result in reduced vehicle mobility, increasing the risk of a crash.

Description of the Cause : N/A

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : Leaking transmission fluid, abnormal transmission shifts with noise and/or illumination of the Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL) may occur.

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : SHB Co., Ltd.

Address : 272-1 Yeomp-ro, buk-gu
Ulsan FOREIGN STATES

Country : Korea, Republic of

Chronology :

See attached document titled "2011 MY Forte Automatic Transmission Fluid Cooler Hose Chronology"

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : All owners of the subject vehicles will be notified by first class mail with instructions to bring their vehicles to a Kia dealer. Kia will instruct dealers to replace the transmission fluid cooler hose with a new one. Kia will reimburse owners for repair expenses already incurred pursuant to Kia's General Reimbursement Plan filed April 14, 2014.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The replacement transmission fluid cooler hose has been properly cured during the manufacturing process and is more durable.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : The manufacturing process was improved on November 12, 2010 to include a quality control process for the curing operation.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : NR

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAR 24, 2016 - MAR 24, 2016

Planned Owner Notification Date : MAR 30, 2016 - MAR 30, 2016

* NR - Not Reported