

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****16V-312****Manufacturer Name :** Kia Motors America**Submission Date :** MAY 10, 2016**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-312**Manufacturer Recall No. :** SC132**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 : 5,245

Estimated percentage with defect : 6

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle : 2013-2013 Kia Forte

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : ALL

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Certain 2013 MY Forte vehicles. The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records. These vehicles were not produced in VIN order

Production Dates : SEP 10, 2012 - OCT 31, 2012

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The screws holding the seatbelt retractor's retaining plate in a small number of vehicles may not have been properly tightened due to a machining error in the screw threads by the supplier. As a result, the plate can break during certain frontal impact.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : The broken piece of the plate may come in contact with an occupant thereby increasing the risk of injury.

Description of the Cause : N/A

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : N/A

**Supplier Identification :****Component Manufacturer**

Name : SAMSUNG IND., LTD

Address : Jeongdong-ro, 62-30., Seongsan-gu

Changwon-si, Gyeongsangnam-do FOREIGN STATES 51553

Country : Korea, Republic of

**Chronology :**

See attached document titled "2013 MY Forte Seatbelt Assembly 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 inspect the vehicle's seatbelt assemblies and replace any assembly that has a bar code that matches the bar code of the potentially affected assemblies. Kia will reimburse owners for repair expenses already incurred pursuant to Kia's General Reimbursement Plan filed March 21, 2016

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The replacement seatbelt assemblies have properly secured retractor retaining plates.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : On September 6, 2012, the supplier improved their manufacturing process to ensure that the screw threads were properly machined.

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : NR

Planned Dealer Notification Date : JUN 27, 2016 - JUN 27, 2016

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

\* NR - Not Reported