

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

16V-731

Manufacturer Name : Ford Motor Company**Submission Date :** OCT 07, 2016**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-731**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 16C15**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Ford Motor Company

Address : 330 Town Center Drive

Suite 500 Dearborn MI 48126-2738

Company phone : 1-866-436-7332

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 1,827

Estimated percentage with defect : NR

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2017-2017 Lincoln Continental

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Affected vehicles are equipped with High Intensity Discharge (HID) Headlamps

These vehicles are not produced in VIN order. Information as to the applicability of this action to specific vehicles can best be obtained by either calling Ford's toll-free line (1-866-436-7332) or by contacting a local Ford or Lincoln dealer who can obtain specific information regarding the vehicles from the Ford On-line Automotive Service Information System (OASIS) database.

Ford vehicles are not produced in VIN order and we typically cannot provide VIN specific information. However, in this instance Ford is able to provide the specific VIN list – see attachment VINs. N/A

Production Dates : JUN 14, 2016 - SEP 23, 2016

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential**Description of Noncompliance :**

Description of the Noncompliance : Affected vehicles are equipped with HID headlamps that may have been misbuilt with an incorrect lens. These HID headlamps may be missing the lens optics necessary to meet the turn signal visibility requirements of FMVSS 108, and may not contain the replaceable light source marking required by FMVSS 108.

Ford is not aware of any reports of accident or injury related to this condition.

FMVSS 1 : 108 - Lamps, reflective devices, and assoc. Equipment

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Missing lens optics can reduce turn signal visibility to other drivers and pedestrians, increasing the risk of a crash.

Description of the Cause : A supplier processing issue allowed for the wrong barcode label to be affixed to the lens during headlamp assembly.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : Varroc Lighting Systems

Address : AV Parque Ind Monterrey #608
Apodaca FOREIGN STATES 66600

Country : Mexico

Chronology :

September 2016 – A misbuilt headlamp was observed on an internal Ford vehicle. This issue was brought into Ford's Critical Concern Review Group (CCRG) for review. Analysis found that some HID headlamp assemblies had been built with an incorrect lens. Inspection of misbuilt HID headlamp assemblies found that the replaceable light source information required by FMVSS 108 was missing and an engineering evaluation of the photometric performance of the misbuilt HID headlamp suggested that they may not meet the turn signal visibility requirements of FMVSS 108.

On September 30, 2016, Ford's Field Review Committee reviewed the concern and approved a field action.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Owners will be notified by mail and instructed to take their vehicle to a Ford or Lincoln dealer to have their headlamps inspected and replaced as required. There will be no charge for this service.

Ford will forward a copy of the notification letters to dealers to the agency when available.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Notification to dealers is expected to occur on October 10, 2016. Mailing of owner notification letters is expected to begin November 7, 2016 and is expected to be completed by November 11, 2016.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : OCT 10, 2016 - OCT 10, 2016

Planned Owner Notification Date : NOV 07, 2016 - NOV 11, 2016

* NR - Not Reported