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**TO:** All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Dealers

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD - Advance Notice - Compliance Recall

16C06

Certain 2008-2012 Model Year Taurus, Taurus X, Sable, MKS, and Flex Vehicles

Driver Air Bag Module

## **AFFECTED VEHICLES**

This action affects less than 200 vehicles total from the following model years and vehicle lines.

Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Dates
Taurus	2008	Chicago	December 13, 2007 through August 11, 2008
Taurus	2010-2012	Chicago	March 23, 2010 through September 2, 2011
Taurus X	2008-2009	Chicago	July 29, 2008 through September 3, 2008
Sable	2008	Chicago	August 4, 2008 through August 7, 2008
MKS	2009	Chicago	June 2, 2008 through April 22, 2009
MKS	2011	Chicago	July 29, 2010 through June 2, 2011
Flex	2010-2012	Oakville	March 24, 2010 through October 6, 2011

Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

### REASON FOR THIS COMPLIANCE RECALL

Some of the affected vehicles with specific driver air bag module serial numbers may not conform to the requirements specified by Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 208 for Occupant Crash Protection. The second stage of the driver air bag module may not deploy as intended in certain high speed crashes, increasing the risk of an injury in a crash that requires a high output deployment.

#### SERVICE ACTION

DO NOT DEMONSTRATE OR DELIVER any of the affected vehicles involved in this compliance recall. A complete Dealer Bulletin will be provided to dealers in June 2016, when it is anticipated that parts ordering information and repair instructions will be available to support this compliance recall.

### **CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION**

Owners of record will be notified via first-class mail after repair instructions and parts ordering information have been provided to dealers.

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Federal law requires dealers to complete this recall service before a new vehicle is delivered to the buyer or lessee. Violation of this requirement by a dealer could result in a civil penalty of up to \$7,000 per vehicle. Correct all vehicles in your new vehicle inventory prior to delivery.

# **QUESTIONS & ASSISTANCE**

For questions and assistance, contact the Special Service Support Center (SSSC) via the SSSC Web Contact Site. The SSSC Web Contact Site can be accessed through the Professional Technician Society (PTS) website using the SSSC link listed at the bottom of the OASIS VIN report screen or listed under the SSSC tab.

Sincerely,

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