## \* \* TECHNICAL INFORMATION NOTICE \* \*

DATE: August 30, 2016

TO: Mitsubishi Motors US and Puerto Rico Dealer Principals, Service Managers, and Parts Managers

RE: Cross Member Corrosion Safety Recall Campaign – Photo Submission to PRC

TIN NO. TIN-16-SR-003-B

AFFECTED VEHICLES: Certain 2002 – 2007 Lancer, 2004 Lancer Wagon, 2003 – 2006 Lancer Evolution, 2003 – 2006 Outlander, and 2007 – 2013 V6 Outlander

## PURPOSE

On August 19, 2016, due to current, extremely limited parts availability, MMNA sent interim owner notification letters to 195,045 affected owners, informing them that their vehicle is affected by this recall, that parts are currently not available, and that they will be re-notified once an adequate number of parts become available. Additionally, owners receiving interim letters were informed that if they believed their vehicle's cross member to exhibit excessive corrosion, they could bring their vehicle into an Authorized Mitsubishi Dealership for inspection.

It appears that many owners who received the interim letter are bringing their vehicle in for an inspection. MMNA would like to better understand the severity of the cross member corrosion on vehicles requiring cross member replacement. Therefore, effective 9/1/2016, all cross member replacement recall claims must include photos of vehicle cross members inspected and found to exhibit perforation(s), and those photos must be posted to the Photos Required Condition (PRC) system in the "cross member" category. The photos must be of the cross member still installed on the vehicle, and must clearly show the perforation or the results of the punch test (step 4 of the inspection procedure outlined in Safety Recall Bulletin SR-16-003) indicating the need for replacement, along with other areas of the cross member that exhibit corrosion.

Dealers must review the Warranty Superscreen to confirm if any vehicles in their new or used vehicle inventories are affected, and conduct this campaign prior to delivering them. When checking for applicability of this campaign (C1609R), please check for and complete any other open campaigns. Always obtain the customer's approval before completing a campaign on a customer owned vehicle.

## **IMPORTANT**

Affected new or used inventory vehicles must be repaired before the vehicle is delivered. Dealers must check their inventory vehicles' VINs on the Warranty Superscreen to verify whether the vehicle is involved in this recall campaign. It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by the notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.