

November 22, 2016

Attention: All Dealer Principals

Kia Motors America, Inc. is conducting a Safety Recall Campaign to inspect the Hydraulic Electronic Control Unit (HECU) connector pins for corrosion in certain 2008-2009 MY Sportage vehicles produced from August 9, 2007 through May 13, 2009. If no corrosion is found, replace the HECU connector cover; if corrosion of the connector pins is found, replace the HECU Assembly and connector cover. Corrosion of the connector pins in the HECU assembly can occur due to improper sealing of the HECU's connector cover. If moisture contaminated with road salt reaches the HECU's circuit board, electrical shorts may occur to the circuit board, which could lead to an engine compartment fire. If an electrical short circuit occurs, the ESC warning light may illuminate.

The Technical Service Bulletin that provides vehicle inspection and repair procedures, affected VIN production range, and warranty claim information will be posted on the Kia Global Information System (KGIS) at <u>www.kiatechinfo.com</u> on **November 22**, **2016**.

Your Service Manager was sent a copy of the owner notification letter and a Q&A guide for recall questions both of which describe the issue and information on how to access the list of affected 2008-2009 MY Sportage vehicles.

Kia will notify the vehicle owners on November 28, 2016.

NHTSA ADVISORY: It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect is remedied.

What Should You Do

Please make certain the appropriate personnel in your dealership are familiar with the details of this recall campaign to ensure proper responses to customer inquiries and requests to have the campaign performed on their 2008-2009 MY Sportage vehicles.

LEGAL PRIVACY LIABILITY NOTICE: Pursuant to the terms of the Dealer Sales and Service Agreement and the Gramm-Leach-Bliley federal consumer privacy act, you are required to keep confidential any and all information and documents provided to you by Kia Motors America, Inc. or generated by you in the conduct of carrying out work under that Agreement regarding Kia vehicle purchasers and owners, including but not limited to warranty claim information. Kia dealers may use such owner information for the sole purpose of conducting and performing this safety recall campaign, and for no other purpose.

Your prompt attention in completing this recall campaign is appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact your Kia District Parts & Service Manager.

Sincerely,

Neem Van der Reest Quality Analysis Manager

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