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# Ford Motor Company Issues Three Safety Recalls in North America

**DEARBORN, Mich., March 31, 2016** – Ford Motor Company is issuing three safety recalls in North America. Details are as follows:

## **Ford issues safety recall for certain 2015-2016 Ford Transit vehicles in North America to inspect and adjust side-curtain airbags**

Ford is issuing a safety recall for approximately 38,000 2015-2016 low-roof Ford Transit vehicles to inspect and adjust side-curtain airbags as needed. In some vehicles, it is possible the side-curtain airbags are positioned incorrectly on either or both sides of the vehicle, which may influence side-curtain airbag performance and increase the risk of injury in a crash.

Ford is not aware of any accidents or injuries related to this issue.

Affected vehicles include certain 2015-2016 low-roof Ford Transit vehicles built at Kansas City Assembly Plant, March 12, 2014 through March 18, 2016. There are 37,905 vehicles affected, including 37,066 in the United States and federalized territories and 839 in Canada.

Dealers will inspect and adjust the side-curtain airbags to the correct position as needed at no cost to the customer.

## **Ford issues safety recall for certain 2015-2016 Lincoln MKC and 2016 Ford Explorer vehicles to replace engine block heaters**

Ford is issuing a safety recall for approximately 5,500 2015-2016 Lincoln MKC and 2016 Ford Explorer vehicles to remove the heaters and replace them with an updated design. The engine block design, coupled with the particular block heater installed in these vehicles, causes the unit to be susceptible to overheating when the vehicle is parked and the block heater is plugged in –increasing the risk of an underhood fire.

Ford is aware of two reports of underhood fires in Canada, but is not aware of any accidents or injuries related to this issue.

Affected vehicles include certain 2015-2016 Lincoln MKC vehicles built at Louisville Assembly Plant, Nov. 25, 2013 through Jan. 25, 2016 and certain 2016 Ford Explorer vehicles built at Chicago Assembly Plant, Oct. 20, 2014 through Jan. 28, 2016. There are 5,536 vehicles affected by the issue, including 3,129 2015-2016 Lincoln MKC and 2,407 2016 Ford Explorer vehicles, with 1,543 of the affected vehicles in the United States and federalized territories and 3,993 in Canada.

Dealers will remove and replace the engine block heater with an updated design and, if needed, replace the cord at no cost to the customer.

### **Ford issues safety recall for certain 2015-2016 Ford F-650 and F-750 vehicles to replace parking brake cable connector clips**

Ford is issuing a safety recall for approximately 4,800 Ford F-650 and F-750 vehicles to replace the parking brake cable connector clips. In some vehicles, the parking brake connector clips were not manufactured to the correct specifications and could break – resulting in unintended movement of the vehicle and increased risk of injury.

Ford is not aware of any accidents, injuries or fires related to this condition.

Affected vehicles include certain 2015-2016 Ford F-650 and F-750 vehicles built at Escobedo Assembly Plant, Jan. 28, 2015 through April 23, 2015, and Ohio Assembly Plant, Jan. 31, 2015 through Nov. 30, 2015. There are 4,764 vehicles affected, including 4,654 in the United States and federalized territories and 110 in Canada.

Dealers will replace the connector clip at no cost to the customer.

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