OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

18V-363

Manufacturer Name: Kia Motors America

Submission Date: OCT 12, 2018
NHTSA Recall No.: 18V-363
Manufacturer Recall No.: SC165



Manufacturer Information:

Manufacturer Name: Kia Motors America

Address: 111 Peters Canyon Road

Irvine CA 92606

Company phone: 800-333-4542

Population:

Number of potentially involved : 507,587 Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information:

Vehicle 1: 2010-2013 KIA FORTE

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : ALL Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: All 2010-2013 model year Forte vehicles produced from February 24, 2009 thru

August 31, 2012.

All 2010-2013 model year Forte Koup vehicles produced from June 5, 2009 thru

August 31, 2012.

All 2011-2013 model year Optima vehicles produced from August 12, 2010 thru

August 31, 2012.

All 2011-2012 model year Optima Hybrid vehicles produced from February 15, 2011

thru August 31, 2012.

All 2011-2012 model year Sedona vehicles produced from March 3, 2010 thru August

14, 2012.

The recalled vehicles are equipped with an Advanced Airbag System ("AAS"). The airbag control unit ("ACU") in these vehicles may be susceptible to electrical overstress ("EOS") during certain frontal crash events. The recall population was

determined based on a review of vehicle production records.

Production Dates: FEB 24, 2009 - AUG 31, 2012

Vehicle 2: 2010-2013 KIA FORTE KOUP

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : ALL Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: All 2010-2013 model year Forte vehicles produced from February 24, 2009 thru August 31, 2012. All 2010-2013 model year Forte Koup vehicles produced from June 5, 2009 thru August 31, 2012. All 2011-2013 model year Optima vehicles produced from August 12, 2010 thru August 31, 2012. All 2011-2012 model year Optima Hybrid vehicles produced from February 15, 2011 thru August 31, 2012. All 2011-2012 model year Sedona vehicles produced from March 3, 2010 thru August 14, 2012. The recalled vehicles are equipped with an Advanced Airbag System ("AAS"). The airbag control unit ("ACU") in these vehicles may be susceptible to electrical overstress ("EOS") during certain frontal crash events. The recall population was determined based on a review of vehicle production records. Production Dates: JUN 05, 2009 - AUG 31, 2012 VIN Range 1: Begin: NR End: NR Not sequential Vehicle 3: 2011-2012 KIA SEDONA Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: ALL Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: All 2010-2013 model year Forte vehicles produced from February 24, 2009 thru August 31, 2012. All 2010-2013 model year Forte Koup vehicles produced from June 5, 2009 thru August 31, 2012. All 2011-2013 model year Optima vehicles produced from August 12, 2010 thru August 31, 2012. All 2011-2012 model year Optima Hybrid vehicles produced from February 15, 2011 thru August 31, 2012. All 2011-2012 model year Sedona vehicles produced from March 3, 2010 thru August 14.2012. The recalled vehicles are equipped with an Advanced Airbag System ("AAS"). The airbag control unit ("ACU") in these vehicles may be susceptible to electrical overstress ("EOS") during certain frontal crash events. The recall population was determined based on a review of vehicle production records. Production Dates: MAR 03, 2010 - AUG 14, 2012 End: NR Not sequential VIN Range 1: Begin: NR

☐ Not sequential

Vehicle 4: 2011-2012 KIA OPTIMA HYBRID

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style: ALL

Power Train: HYBRID ELECTRIC

Descriptive Information: All 2010-2013 model year Forte vehicles produced from February 24, 2009 thru

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14, 2012.

The recalled vehicles are equipped with an Advanced Airbag System ("AAS"). The airbag control unit ("ACU") in these vehicles may be susceptible to electrical

overstress ("EOS") during certain frontal crash events. The recall population was

End: NR

determined based on a review of vehicle production records.

Production Dates: FEB 15, 2011 - AUG 31, 2012

Vehicle 5: 2011-2013 KIA OPTIMA

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : ALL Power Train : GAS

VIN Range 1: Begin:

Descriptive Information: All 2010-2013 model year Forte vehicles produced from February 24, 2009 thru

NR

August 31, 2012.

All 2010-2013 model year Forte Koup vehicles produced from June 5, 2009 thru

August 31, 2012.

All 2011-2013 model year Optima vehicles produced from August 12, 2010 thru

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All 2011-2012 model year Optima Hybrid vehicles produced from February 15, 2011

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All 2011-2012 model year Sedona vehicles produced from March 3, 2010 thru August

14, 2012.

The recalled vehicles are equipped with an Advanced Airbag System ("AAS"). The

airbag control unit ("ACU") in these vehicles may be susceptible to electrical overstress ("EOS") during certain frontal crash events. The recall population was determined based on a review of vehicle production records.

Production Dates : AUG 12, 2010 - AUG 31, 2012

Description of Defect:

Description of the Defect: The Airbag Control Unit ("ACU") detects crash severity and commands

deployment of the advanced airbags and seatbelt pretensioners when necessary. The recalled vehicles are equipped with an ACU which contain a certain application-specific integrated circuit ("ASIC") that may be susceptible

to electrical overstress ("EOS") during certain frontal crash events.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: If the ASIC becomes damaged, the front airbags and seatbelt pretensioners

may not deploy in certain frontal crashes where deployment may be

necessary, thereby increasing the risk of injury.

Description of the Cause: The ASIC component within the subject ACUs may be susceptible to EOS due to

inadequate circuit protection.

Identification of Any Warning N/A

that can Occur:

Supplier Identification:

Component Manufacturer

Name: ZF TRW-122031 units [Mobis-385556 units]

Address: 12001 Tech Center Dr [95, Sayang 2-gil

Munbaek-myeon, Jincheon-gun Livonia [Chungbuk, S Korea] MICHIGAN 48150

Country: United States

Chronology:

See attached document titled "Forte, Forte Koup, Optima, Optima Hybrid, Sedona ACU Chronology"

Description of Remedy:

Description of Remedy Program: All owners of the subject vehicles will be notified by first class mail with

instructions to bring their vehicles to a Kia dealer. For 2011MY Sedona vehicles, Kia will instruct dealers to verify the ACU part number and, if necessary, install an extension wire harness kit between ACU Connector and Vehicle Harness Connect. For all other affected vehicles, Kia will instruct dealers to install the extension wire harness kit. Kia will

reimburse owners for repair expenses already incurred pursuant to Kia's

General Reimbursement Plan filed April 10, 2018.

How Remedy Component Differs The remedy component, extension wire harness kit, contains an additional

from Recalled Component: Schottky diode.

Identify How/When Recall Condition The ACU implemented into production from August 15, 2012 for the

was Corrected in Production: Sedona and from September 1, 2012 for the Forte, Forte Koup, Optima and

Optima Hybrid have adequate circuit protection.

Recall Schedule:

Description of Recall Schedule: The Follow-Up Dealer Notification is planned to begin and end on

September 26, 2018. The Follow-Up Owner Notification is planned to

begin on September 28, 2018 and end on October 31, 2018.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: SEP 26, 2018 - SEP 26, 2018 Planned Owner Notification Date: SEP 28, 2018 - OCT 31, 2018

* NR - Not Reported