

Subarunet Announcement

To: All Subaru Retailers
From: Subaru of America, Inc.
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New Subaru Safety Recall: WTV-81 EPB Actuator Assembly

Subaru of America, Inc. (Subaru) is recalling all 2010-2014 model year Legacy and Outback vehicles equipped with a manual transmission (M/T), to replace the electronic parking brake (EPB) actuator assembly. A total of 27,175 U.S. vehicles will be affected by this recall.

Vehicles equipped with an automatic transmission are not affected by this recall. However, they will be covered under an extended warranty. Details of that extended warranty coverage will be forthcoming.

Affected Vehicles

Model Year	Carline	Production Date Range
2010-2014	Legacy equipped with M/T	December 10, 2008 - May 19, 2014
2010-2014	Outback equipped with M/T	March 16, 2009 - June 2, 2014

Coverage for all affected vehicles must be confirmed by using the Vehicle Coverage Inquiry function on subarunet.com. This information will be available tomorrow.

Description of the Issue and Safety Risk

Due to improper manufacturing processes, a capacitor on the circuit board and/or the actuator stroke sensor magnetic ring located in the control unit of the EPB may crack over time. If either component develops a crack, the brake telltale warning lamp will illuminate, and the EPB may not apply as intended.

If the manual transmission (M/T) shift lever is not in the recommended gear when the vehicle is parked and the EPB does not engage, the vehicle may roll away, increasing the risk of a crash.

Description of the Remedy

The EPB actuator assembly will be replaced on all 2010-2014 model year Legacy and Outback vehicles equipped with a manual transmission (M/T).

Retailer Responsibility

Any vehicles listed in any recall/campaign that are in retailer stock must be:

- Immediately identified.
- Tagged or otherwise marked to prevent their delivery or use prior to inspection and/or repair.
- Repaired in accordance with the repair procedures outlined in the Product Campaign Bulletin.

Retailers are to promptly perform the applicable service procedures to correct all affected vehicles in their inventory (used, demo & SSLP). Additionally, whenever a vehicle subject to this

recall is taken into retailer inventory, or in for service, necessary steps should be taken to ensure the recall correction has been made before selling or releasing the vehicle.

Owner Notification

Subaru will notify affected vehicle owners by first class mail within 60 days. Owners with a valid email address on file with MySubaru.com will also be notified by email. If parts are not available by that time, owners will be notified that parts are not available yet and they will be re-notified once parts are available. Retailers will be advised when the notification is scheduled.

Service, Parts, and Claim Instructions

Remedy parts are not yet available. Detailed service, parts, and claim information will be forthcoming and will be made available in the WTV-81 Product Campaign Bulletin on STIS. Retailers will be notified once the bulletin is available.