



October 15, 2018

**Attention: All Mazda Dealership General Managers, Service Managers, and Parts Managers**

**Subject: Notification of Takata Safety Recall "Pull Ahead" Expansion to the DIR4 group of vehicles.**

**Recall 1317F expansion: DIR4**

Mazda Motor Corporation has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in vehicles equipped with certain type of passenger frontal air bag inflator, and to conduct a recall campaign for certain 2010-2013 Mazda6, 2010-2012 CX-7 and 2010-2015 CX-9 vehicles. There are 155,311 vehicles involved in this recall. **This recall is an expansion of Safety Recall 1317F - Passenger Air Bag Inflator Replacement filed with NHTSA on October 12, 2018 and is being "pulled ahead" of the agency's schedule requirements for DIR 4 (Defect Investigation Report).**

**Recall 2918J: DIR4**

Mazda Motor Corporation has also decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in vehicles equipped with certain type of passenger frontal air bag inflator, and to conduct a recall campaign for 2010-2011 RX-8 vehicles. There are 394 vehicles involved in this recall. This recall is a **Safety Recall 2918J - Passenger Air Bag Inflator Replacement filed with NHTSA on October 12, 2018 and is being "pulled ahead" of the agency's schedule requirements for DIR 4 (Defect Investigation Report).** The repair is identical to the repair in recall 9416E (DIR1), 0617A (DIR2), and 2018A (DIR3).

In the subject vehicles, continued exposure to high levels of absolute humidity may cause the passenger frontal air bag inflator housing to rupture and deploy abnormally in the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the passenger frontal air bag. An inflator rupture could result in metal fragments striking the front passenger or other vehicle occupants, resulting in serious injury or death.

Dealers are to replace the passenger frontal air bag inflator of the affected subject vehicles and the affected vehicles will display Not Launched in eMDCS later this week. As parts are available for all vehicles in DIR4, dealers can perform the repair if a customer requests it even in Not Launched status.

Customers affected by this recall are scheduled to be notified by first class mail on **November 9, 2018**, and will be asked to make an appointment with a Mazda dealer to have the passenger frontal air bag inflator replaced with a permanent remedy part for recall 1317F and a final remedy part for recall 2918J.

We apologize for any inconvenience this recall may cause you and your customers. Your understanding and support in carrying out this campaign is greatly appreciated.

**Protect What is Important to You.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Ikemoto".

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