



February 8, 2019

**Attention: All Kia Parts & Service Managers**

Kia Motors America, Inc., pursuant to the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, is conducting an expansion of Safety Recall Campaign No. 18V907 (SC172 - High Pressure Fuel Pump Outlet Inspection) to add certain

- 2014-2017 MY Optima vehicles manufactured from September 9, 2013 through December 22, 2016,
- 2015-2017 MY Sorento vehicles manufactured from January 6, 2014 through November 23, 2016, and
- 2014-2018 MY Sportage vehicles manufactured from September 30, 2013 through September 5, 2017

that **received an engine replacement under warranty or under the Knock Sensor Detection System (KSDS) Product Improvement Campaign.** The engine replacement previously conducted on the vehicles may not have been properly performed. In some cases, the high pressure fuel pipe may have been damaged, misaligned or improperly torqued during the engine replacement procedure, allowing fuel to leak. Leaking fuel increases the risk of fire.

The **revised** 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 [www.kiatechinfo.com](http://www.kiatechinfo.com) during the **week of February 11, 2019.**

**\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*:** **The procedure outlined in the latest version of the Technical Service Bulletin MUST be strictly followed when performing the inspection, and if necessary, the repair.**

Enclosed you will find a copy of the owner notification letter and a Q&A Guide for recall questions, both of which describe the issue. A list of Kia Optima, Sorento, and Sportage vehicle owners affected by this recall can be accessed on WEBDCS. Log onto the site, select the Campaigns Tab, click on Open Campaign Report in the left side menu, and select **SC172** to generate the list.

Notices to the affected Optima, Sorento, and Sportage vehicle owners included in the expansion will be mailed on **February 15, 2019.** Please start performing the repairs immediately on any affected vehicles currently in your inventory.

Also, please make certain the appropriate personnel in your dealership are familiar with the details of this recall to ensure proper responses to customer inquiries and request to have the recall performed on their vehicles. This Safety Recall represents an opportunity for your service department to deliver an exceptional service experience (e.g. flexible service appointment process, car wash and vacuum and timely service).

**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.**

**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 is appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact your Kia District Parts and Service Manager.

Sincerely,

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Manager, Technical Services & Engineering

Enclosures