



April 3, 2019

Attention: All Kia Parts & Service Managers

Kia Motors America, Inc., pursuant to the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, has decided that certain 2019 MY Sedona vehicles manufactured from October 31, 2018 through November 28, 2018, equipped with an eight-passenger seat configuration may not comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 208, Occupant Crash Protection. The non-compliance may prevent the proper use of the seat belt for the second-row middle seat. In the event of a crash, an incorrectly used seat belt can increase the risk of injury.

The seat belt buckles for the second-row middle seat may have been installed on the wrong side of the seat, thereby preventing proper use of the 3-point seat belt. Kia will advise its authorized dealers to inspect the seat belt buckles for the second-row middle seat. If the buckles were incorrectly installed to the wrong side of the seat, Kia dealers will reinstall them to the correct side of the second-row middle seat. The work will be performed at Kia's expense at no cost to the owners.

The 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 during the week of **April 3, 2019**.

PARTS INFORMATION – As the need for any related part will be for a very small number of select VINs, a valid VIN will be required for order entry.

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 Sedona 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 **SC177** to generate the list.

Notices to the affected 2019 MY Sedona vehicle owners will be mailed beginning on **April 8, 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 2019 MY Sedona 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