



NOTICE OF SAFETY RECALL

NONCOMPLIANCE RECALL 19V-XXX SIDE-CURTAIN AIRBAG DEPLOYMENT IN THE EVENT OF A ROLLOVER

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To: Karma Dealer Principal, General Manager, Sales Manager, Service Manager, Parts Manager, and Warranty Administrator (All Markets)

From: Karma Aftersales Department

Subject: Notification of Noncompliance Recall Campaign **RC-19-84-01** – Side-curtain airbags deployment in the event of a rollover

Karma Automotive LLC (Karma) has identified a noncompliance with a Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard with respect to side-curtain airbag deployment in the event of a rollover. Specifically, FMVSS/CMVSS 226 requires that vehicles employ ejection mitigation countermeasures. If a side-curtain airbag is the chosen countermeasure in the event of a rollover, the vehicle must have a rollover sensor system to deploy the countermeasure, along with a readiness indicator and a description of the system in the vehicle's owner manual or other written information provided to the consumer. Affected MY 2018 Karma Revero vehicles do not meet these requirements because, although employing a side-curtain airbag for ejection mitigation, the rollover sensor system is not enabled. Thus, the vehicles operate without a system to monitor the readiness of and deploy the countermeasure or a telltale to indicate faults with the system in the event of a rollover. MY 2018 Karma Revero owner manuals also lack a description of the system or telltale.

Without an enabled rollover sensor, the vehicle will not be able to detect the rollover condition, and thus would not trigger the side-curtain airbag countermeasure, thus increasing the risk of injury to vehicle occupants.

As a result, Karma is conducting a Voluntary Non-Compliance Recall Campaign **effective April, 11, 2019** on MY 2018 Karma Revero vehicles manufactured on or after September 1, 2017 (U.S.A) and on or after September 1, 2018 (Canada).

The current proposed remedy is to replace the existing Airbag Control Unit (ACU) with a rollover enabled ACU. The remedy will also include the addition of an indicator to monitor the readiness of this system, as well as an update of the owner manual or the provision of written information describing the readiness indicator, the systems it monitors, the location and purpose of the telltale, and what action to take should the telltale illuminate. Karma currently estimates that the remedy will be available in July 2019.



On or before April 30, 2019, vehicle owners will be notified with an interim notification recall letter. The interim recall letter will state that until a remedy is made available, Karma recommends that all vehicle occupants fasten their safety belts before driving and keep them fastened for the duration of their travel.

After the remedy is made available to dealers, a second notification letter will be sent to the owners asking them to bring their vehicles to dealers for the remedy to be performed.

IMPORTANT REMINDER ON VEHICLES AFFECTED BY SAFETY & COMPLIANCE RECALLS

New Vehicles in Dealer Inventory: It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied. By law, dealers must correct, prior to delivery for sale or lease, any vehicle that fails to comply with an applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard or that contains a defect relating to motor vehicle safety.

Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Inventory: Dealers should not deliver any pre-owned vehicles in their inventory which are involved in a safety or compliance recall until the defect has been remedied.

If you have any questions or require additional assistance, please contact Karma Warranty. **As always, any press inquiries should be directed to Karma Public Relations.**

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