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**TO:** All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Dealers

**SUBJECT: NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD - Advance Notice – Safety Recall 20S42**  
 Certain 2015-2018 Model Year Edge and 2016-2018 Model Year Lincoln MKX Vehicles  
 Front Brake Flexible Hose Leaks

**AFFECTED VEHICLES**

Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Dates
Edge	2015-2018	Oakville	June 25, 2014 through December 21, 2017
MKX	2016-2018	Oakville	November 11, 2014 through December 21, 2017

Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

**REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL**

In some of the affected vehicles, brake fluid may leak from one or both front brake flexible hoses. If the brake fluid reservoir is depleted below a predetermined level, the brake fluid warning indicator light will illuminate. The driver may experience an increase in pedal travel together with a reduction in the rate of deceleration, increasing the risk of a crash.

**SERVICE ACTION**

DO NOT DEMONSTRATE OR DELIVER any new in-stock vehicles involved in this safety recall. A complete Dealer Bulletin is anticipated in 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020, when it is expected that parts ordering information and repair instructions will be available to support this safety recall.

If a customer’s vehicle exhibits symptoms consistent with a leaking brake flexible hose before a complete dealer bulletin is available, please contact the Special Service Support Center (SSSC) via the SSSC Web Contact Site.

**IMPORTANT: Dealers should open a Repair Order (RO) only when a full dealer bulletin is published. Opening an RO against an Awareness or Advance Notice will result in warranty rejections against a recall.**

**CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION**

Owners of record will be notified via first-class mail the week of September 14, 2020 indicating that parts are not yet available to repair their vehicles. Customers will be notified again when parts become available to repair their vehicles.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Federal law requires dealers to complete this recall service before a new vehicle is delivered to the buyer or lessee. Violation of this requirement by a dealer could result in a civil penalty of up to \$21,000 per vehicle. Correct all vehicles in your new vehicle inventory prior to delivery.**

**QUESTIONS & ASSISTANCE**

For questions and assistance, contact the Special Service Support Center (SSSC) via the SSSC Web Contact Site. The SSSC Web Contact Site can be accessed through the Professional Technician Society (PTS) website using the SSSC link listed at the bottom of the OASIS VIN report screen or listed under the SSSC tab.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Johnson".

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