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TO: All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Dealers

SUBJECT: NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD - Advance Notice -

Safety Recall 20S72

Certain 2020-2021 Model Year Explorer and Lincoln Aviator Vehicles

Front Right-Hand Side Engine Mount Fastener Replacement

AFFECTED VEHICLES

Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Dates
Aviator	2020-2021	Chicago	July 28, 2020 through July 30, 2020
Explorer	2020-2021	Chicago	July 28, 2020 through July 30, 2020

Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL

In some of the affected vehicles, the front RH (right-hand) engine mount bolts and nuts may be loose. A loose front differential/powertrain mount may cause noise and vibration leading to potential axle disconnect from the engine, engine damage, oil leak, and loss of power.

SERVICE ACTION

DO NOT DEMONSTRATE OR DELIVER any new in-stock vehicles involved in this safety recall. A complete Dealer Bulletin will be provided to dealers the 1st Quarter 2021 when it is anticipated that parts ordering information and repair instructions will be available to support this safety recall.

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 after repair instructions and parts ordering information have been provided to dealers.

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,

David J. Johnson