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TO: All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Dealers

SUBJECT: NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD Advance Notice - Safety Recall 22S76

Certain 2021 - 2022 Model Year F59 and 2022 – 2023 Model Year E-Series Vehicles
 Inspect Fuel Tank Paint

AFFECTED VEHICLES

Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Dates
F59 CHASSIS	2021	DETROIT CHASSIS	November 1, 2021 through December 28, 2021
	2022		January 4, 2022 through March 16, 2022
E-Series	2022	OHIO	November 16, 2021 through February 10, 2022
	2023		January 19, 2022 through March 1, 2022

Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL

In some of the affected vehicles, due to excessive sheet metal dry lube present during paint operation and/or inadequate paint drying time, the external paint on the fuel tank may not adhere properly, leading to paint peeling and possible long-term corrosion. If a leak occurs due to corrosion, a Diagnostic Trouble Code (DTC) code – one of P0456, P0442, P0455, P0457 - may be set. A Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL) may illuminate, or a fuel odor or liquid fuel may be observed. A fuel leak in the presence of an ignition source could potentially result in a fire.

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 week of January 16, 2023, 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.

DEALER-OPERATED RENTAL VEHICLES

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act law effective June 2016 prohibits a rental company from selling, renting or leasing vehicles subject to a safety or compliance recall. Please consult your legal counsel for legal advice.

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 System (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 black ink that reads "Stacy L. Balzer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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