Audi of America, Inc.



<MONTH YEAR>

<CUSTOMER NAME> <CUSTOMER ADDRESS> <CUSTOMER CITY STATE ZIPCODE>

This notice applies to your vehicle: <MODEL YEAR> <BRAND> <CARLINE>, <VIN>

NHTSA: 22V178

Subject: Safety Recall 21H7 – Oil Strainer

Dear Audi Owner,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Audi has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2013-2017 model year Audi vehicles. Our records show that you are the owner of a vehicle affected by this action.

- What is the issue? The oil strainer within the oil supply for the turbocharger might become blocked by oil/carbon deposits contained in the engine oil. A blocked oil strainer within the oil supply for the turbocharger leads to a lack of lubrication of the turbocharger bearings. This causes wear on the bearings and, as a result, the turbine wheel of the turbocharger may contact the housing, or the turbocharger shaft can break. This could lead to a lack of power or even stalling, which could increase the risk of a crash.
- What will we do? To correct this defect, your authorized Audi dealer will replace the oil strainer within the oil supply for the turbochargers and perform an oil change. Additionally, a tester routine on the scan tool will check and document the correct performance of the boost pressure system. This work will take about a day to complete and will be performed for you free of charge. Please keep in mind that your dealer may need additional time for the preparation of the repair, as well as to accommodate their daily workshop schedule.
- What should you do? Please contact your authorized Audi dealer without delay to schedule this recall work. For your convenience, you can also visit <u>www.audiusa.com</u> and click on the "Find a Dealer" link to locate a dealer near you and schedule this service.
- **Precautions you should take** A defect on the turbochargers and boost pressure system can lead to different warning messages such as the EPC, MIL, or oil warning light being displayed. In addition, the customer may notice indications like extended cranking, rough idling or lack of power. Owners experiencing these conditions are advised to contact an authorized Audi dealer to have the vehicle diagnosed/repaired.

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Lease vehicles and address changes	If you are the lessor and registered owner of the vehicle identified in this action, the law requires you to forward this letter immediately via first- class mail to the lessee within ten (10) days of receipt. If you have changed your address or sold the vehicle, please fill out the enclosed prepaid Owner Reply card and mail it to us so we can update our records.
Reimbursement of Expenses	If you have previously paid for repairs relating to the condition described in this letter, the enclosed form explains how to request reimbursement. We would be pleased to review your reimbursement request.
Can we assist you further?	If your authorized Audi dealer fails or is unable to complete this work free of charge within a reasonable time, please contact Audi Customer Experience at 1-800-253-2834 or via our "Contact Us" page at <u>www.audiusa.com</u> .
Checking your vehicle for open Recalls and Service Campaigns	To check your vehicle's eligibility for repair under this or any other recall/service campaign, please visit the Recall/Service Campaign Lookup tool at <u>www.audiusa.com</u> and enter your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN).

If you still cannot obtain satisfaction, you may file a complaint with: The Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

We apologize for any inconvenience this matter may cause; however we are taking this action to help ensure your safety and continued satisfaction with your vehicle.

Sincerely,

Audi Customer Protection