

2017-2022 MY NIRO HEV AND 2018-2022 MY NIRO PHEV VEHICLES - HYDRAULIC CLUTCH ACTUATOR (HCA) SAFETY RECALL CAMPAIGN (SC276)

Q & A - INTERIM NOTICE

September 26, 2023

- Q1. What type of campaign is Kia conducting?
- A1. Kia America, Inc., pursuant to the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, is conducting a Safety Recall Campaign to address a condition involving the hydraulic clutch actuator (HCA).
- Q2. What vehicles are affected by the recall?
- A2. All 2017-2022 MY Niro Hybrid (HEV) vehicles manufactured from November 1, 2016 through June 16, 2022 and all 2018-2022 MY Niro Plug-in Hybrid (PHEV) vehicles manufactured from September 26, 2017 through April 13, 2022.
- Q3. How many customer vehicles are affected by this recall?
- A3. Approximately 121,411 vehicles (Niro HEV: 104,907, Niro PHEV: 16,504).
- Q4. What is the concern with the Hydraulic Clutch Actuator?
- A4. The printed circuit board (PCB) in the Hydraulic Clutch Actuator (HCA) may become contaminated with fluid. A fluid-contaminated PCB may lead to an electrical short circuit, thereby increasing the risk of an engine compartment fire while driving. A fire increases the risk of injury.
- Q5. Can you describe the recall campaign and fix?
- A5. When the remedy is available, dealers will inspect the HCA and replace, if necessary. Kia will also install a new HCA fuse with one of a different capacity to mitigate the potential risk of fire caused by an electrical short circuit.

 Customers may experience illumination of the HEV warning light.
- Q6. How will owners of the affected vehicles be notified?
- A6. Kia will send an interim letter notifying owners of the affected vehicles by first class mail beginning on **September 29**, **2023.** The purpose of this letter is to keep owners informed of Kia's recall implementation plan. Kia will send a follow-up notice when a remedy becomes available.
- Q7. What should vehicle owners do when they receive the notification?
- A7. The interim letter is to advise owners of the status of the recall and remedy. Upon receipt of the follow-up notice, owners are to contact their authorized Kia dealer to arrange to have the recall performed on their vehicle.
- Q8. Where were these vehicles produced?
- A8. The affected vehicles were produced at a Kia assembly plant in South Korea.

- Q9. Will this cost vehicle owners any money?
- A9. No. Kia will perform the recall repair free of charge at no cost to the customer.
- A10. Are there any restrictions on an owner's eligibility?
- A10. No.
- Q11. If a customer has an immediate question, where can they get further information?
- A11. The customer can contact their local authorized Kia dealership or call Kia's Customer Care Center at 1-800-333-4KIA (4542), Monday through Friday, 5 AM to 6 PM Pacific Time, or via the internet at www.kia.com (Owner's Section).