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

SUBJECT: NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD

Safety Recall 24S11 - Supplement #1

Certain 2023 Model Year F-150 Lightning BEV Vehicles

High Voltage Battery Junction Box Bus Bar Retention Nut Inspection

REF: NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD

Safety Recall 24S11 Dated February 26, 2024

## New! REASON FOR THIS SUPPLEMENT

- Service Action Update: Parts and final repair are now available.
- Administration Information:
  - o Technician competency requirements have been added.
  - o Rental vehicles have changed.
- Labor Allowances and Parts Ordering Information:
  - Labor time for repairing the high voltage battery has been added.
  - Parts list has been updated to include parts for final repair.
- Technical Instructions: Technical instructions updated to include final repair.
- Owner Letter & Owner Letter Mailing: An updated owner letter will be mailed to the remaining open VINs within the FSA.

## **AFFECTED VEHICLES**

Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Dates
F-150 Lightning BEV	2023	Rouge Electrical Vehicle Center	October 31, 2022 through August 02, 2023

US population of affected vehicles: 215. Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

#### REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL

In some of the affected vehicles, there may be missing or loose retention nuts on the high voltage battery junction box bus bars in the high voltage battery pack. Electrical arcing may occur, which can increase the risk of fire. In addition, a "Stop Safely Now" message may occur in the instrument cluster followed by loss of motive power.

## New! SERVICE ACTION

Before demonstrating or delivering any new in-stock vehicles involved in this recall, dealers are to inspect the high voltage battery junction box bus bars for missing or loose retention nuts. Dealers will also confirm proper torque of all eight bus bar retention nuts.

If any bus bar retention nuts are found missing or loose, the dealer is to replace the bus bar retention nut(s) and associated affected components.

## New! SERVICE ACTION (Continued)

This service must be performed on all affected vehicles at no charge to the vehicle owner. For new vehicle storage guidelines, refer to EFC13033, Storage Guidelines for New Vehicles.

To assist vehicle owners to have this repair completed when parts are available, dealers should:

- Arrange to pick up the owner's vehicle and drive it to the dealership for repairs.
  - o Re-deliver the owner's vehicle after repairs have been completed.
- Pick-Up & Delivery should be made available for all customers. Refer to the Rental and Claiming sections for further details.

## **ESSENTIAL SPECIAL SERVICE TOOLS**

If you do not have the special tools needed, please contact 1-800 ROTUNDA and choose option 3 to place an order to purchase.

## New! OWNER NOTIFICATION MAILING SCHEDULE

Original owner letters were mailed the week of March 18, 2024. Dealers should repair any affected vehicles that arrive at their dealerships, whether or not the customer has received a letter. *Updated owner letters are expected to be mailed the week of May 27, 2024 to the remaining open VINs affected by this FSA.* 

## **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 \$27,168 per vehicle. Correct all vehicles in your new vehicle inventory before delivery.

## **New!** ATTACHMENTS

- Administrative Information
- Labor Allowances and Parts Ordering Information
- Technical Instructions
- Mobile Service Repair Assessment
- Vehicle Pick-Up & Delivery Record
- Owner Notification Letters
- Recall Reimbursement Plan

## **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,

Stacy L. Balzer

## MOBILE SERVICE REPAIR ASSESSMENT LEVEL

• All repairs in this program have the following assessment level.:

On a Mobile Service Repair

## **OASIS ACTIVATION**

OASIS was activated on February 23, 2024.

#### **FSA VIN LISTS ACTIVATION**

FSA VIN Lists have been available through <a href="https://web.fsavinlists.dealerconnection.com">https://web.fsavinlists.dealerconnection.com</a> since February 26, 2024. Owner names and addresses have been available since April 5, 2024.

**NOTE:** Your FSA VIN Lists may contain owner names and addresses obtained from motor vehicle registration records. The use of such motor vehicle registration data for any purpose other than in connection with this recall is a violation of law in several states, provinces, and countries. Accordingly, you must limit the use of this listing to the follow-up necessary to complete this recall.

#### **SOLD VEHICLES**

- Ford has not issued instructions to stop selling/delivering or driving used vehicles under this safety recall. Owners should contact their dealers for an appointment to have their vehicles remedied as soon as practicable.
- Immediately contact any of your affected customers whose vehicles are not on your VIN list but are identified in OASIS. Give the customer a copy of the Owner Notification Letter (when available) and schedule a service date.
- Correct other affected vehicles identified in OASIS which are brought to your dealership.
- Dealers are to prioritize repairs of customer vehicles over repairs of new and used vehicle inventory.

## **STOCK VEHICLES**

- Correct all affected units in your new vehicle inventory before delivery.
- Use OASIS to identify any affected vehicles in your used vehicle inventory.

## **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.

## **BRANDED / SALVAGED TITLE VEHICLES**

Affected branded / salvaged title vehicles are eligible for this recall.

## **OWNER REFUNDS**

- This safety recall must still be performed, even if the owner has paid for a previous repair. Claiming a refund will not close the recall on the vehicle.
- Ford Motor Company is offering a refund for owner-paid repairs covered by this recall if the repair was performed before the date indicated in the reimbursement plan, which is posted with this bulletin. Owners are directed to seek reimbursement through authorized dealers or, at their option, directly through Ford Motor Company at PO Box 6251, Dearborn, MI 48121-6251.
- Dealers are also pre-approved to refund owner-paid emergency repairs that were performed away from an authorized servicing dealer after the end date specified in the reimbursement plan. Non-covered repairs, or those judged by Ford to be excessive, will not be reimbursed.
- Refunds will only be provided for the cost associated with missing or loose high voltage battery junction box bus bar retention nuts.

## New! RENTAL VEHICLES

Dealers are pre-approved for up to 3 days for a comparable rental vehicle. Follow Extended Service Plan (ESP) guidelines for dollar amounts. Rentals will only be reimbursed for the day(s) the vehicle is at the dealership for part replacement. Prior approval for more than 3 rental days is required from the SSSC. Contact the SSSC via the SSSC Web Contact Site for consideration and approval if appropriate.

## PICK-UP & DELIVERY- Participating Dealers

Dealers participating in the Remote Experience Program:

• Ford Dealers - Refer to EFC14125, 2024 Remote Experience Program, Pick-Up & Delivery Offset section for additional details.

## PICK-UP & DELIVERY- Non-participating Dealers

Ford Dealers not participating in the 2024 Remote Experience Program for Pick-Up & Delivery are authorized to claim unique services for completing this program.

- Dealers are authorized to claim one-half labor hour per repair for vehicle Pick-Up & Delivery services. Refer to Labor Allowances for details.
- Dealers must retain a Vehicle Pick-Up & Delivery Record with the repair order documentation.

## ADDITIONAL REPAIR (LABOR TIME AND/OR PARTS)

Additional repairs identified as necessary to complete the FSA should be managed as follows:

- For related damage and access time requirements, refer to the Warranty and Policy Manual / Section 6 – Ford & Lincoln Program Policies / General Information & Special Circumstances for FSAs / Related Damage.
- For vehicles within new vehicle bumper-to-bumper warranty coverage, no SSSC approval is required, although related damage must be on a separate repair line with the "Related Damage" radio button checked.
- Ford vehicles 3 years or 36,000 miles
- For vehicles outside new vehicle bumper-to-bumper warranty coverage, submit an Approval Request to the SSSC Web Contact Site before completing the repair.

## New! CLAIMS PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

- **Technician Competency Requirement:** The STST Competency 10 certification requirement in the U.S. market only will be enforced starting with repair orders opened on or after April 1, 2024. FSA repairs will reject if the repairing technician is not certified in STST Competency 10 FSA. See EFC14251 for more details.
- Claim Entry: Enter claims using Dealer Management System (DMS) or One Warranty Solution (OWS) online.
  - When entering claims, select claim type 31: Field Service Action. The FSA number
     24S11 is the subcode.
  - For additional claims preparation and submission information, refer to the Recall and Customer Satisfaction Program (CSP) Repairs in the OWS User Guide.
- Related Damage/Additional labor and/or parts: Must be claimed as Related Damage on a separate repair line from the FSA with the same claim type and subcode as described in Claim Entry above.

**IMPORTANT:** Click the Related Damage Indicator radio button.

- Rentals: For rental vehicle claiming, follow Extended Service Plan (ESP) guidelines for dollar amounts. Enter the total amount of the rental expense under the Miscellaneous Expense code RENTAL.
- **Refunds:** Submit refunds on a separate repair line.

Program Code: 24S11
 Misc. Expense: ADMIN
 Misc. Expense: 0.2 Hrs.

- Multiple refunds should be submitted on one repair line and the invoice details for each repair should be detailed in the comments section of the claim.
- Pick-Up & Delivery:
  - Dealers participating in the Remote Experience Program
    - Refer to EFC14125, 2024 Remote Experience Program, Pick-Up & Delivery (PDL) Offset section for additional details.
  - Dealers NOT participating in the Remote Experience Program
    - Dealers may claim one-half labor hour per repair for vehicle Pick-Up & Delivery services.
    - Dealers must retain a Vehicle Pick-Up & Delivery Record with the repair order documentation.

## **New!** LABOR ALLOWANCES

Description	Labor Operation	Labor Time
PASS: Remove high voltage battery, check torque on bus bars and reinstall high voltage battery.	24S11B	4.3 Hours
<u>DOES NOT PASS</u> : Remove high voltage battery, check torque on bus bars, replace failed components per tech instructions and reinstall high voltage battery.	24S11C	4.6 Hours
Vehicle Pick-Up & Delivery Allowance: This allowance is only for non-eligible 2024 Remote Experience Program Dealers. NOTE: This allowance is for dealer-performed vehicle Pick-Up & Delivery for dealership repairs only. Can only be claimed once, regardless of outstanding FSAs repaired.	24S11PP	0.5 Hours

## New! PARTS REQUIREMENTS / ORDERING INFORMATION

Service Part Number	Claim Quantity	Package Order Quantity	Number in Package	Description
W721583-S437	As Re	quired	4	Bus Bar Retention Nut (up to 8 per vehicle)
NL3Z-14A033-L	As Required	1	1	Bus Bar Link "A"
NL3Z-14A033-F	As Required	1	1	Bus Bar Link "B"
NL3Z-14A033-G	As Required	1	1	Bus Bar Link "C"
NL3Z-10C666-C	As Required	1	1	High Voltage Battery Junction Box Positive
NL3Z-10C666-E	As Required	1	1	High Voltage Battery Junction Box Negative
NL3Z-7G276-A	As Required	1	1	Battery Connector Assembly
W721018-S450	As Required	4	4	Battery Connector Assembly Bolt
NL3Z-10A687-C	As Required	1	1	Battery Cover Seal
W500810-S450L	As Required	1	4	Ground Strap Bolt

## New! PARTS REQUIREMENTS / ORDERING INFORMATION (Continued)

Service Part Number	Claim Quantity	Package Order Quantity	Number in Package	Description
VC-13DL-G	As Required		1	Motorcraft Yellow Prediluted Antifreeze/Coolant (up to 15.9 Liters per vehicle)

Order your parts through normal order processing channels. To guarantee the shortest delivery time, an emergency order for parts must be placed.

## **DEALER PRICE**

For the latest prices, refer to DOES II.

## PARTS RETENTION, RETURN, & SCRAPPING

Follow the provisions of the Warranty and Policy Manual, Section 1 - WARRANTY PARTS RETENTION AND RETURN POLICIES. If a replaced part receives a scrap disposition, the part must be scrapped by all applicable local, state, and federal environmental protection and hazardous material regulations. Federal law prohibits selling motor vehicle parts or components that are under safety, compliance, or emissions recall.

## **EXCESS STOCK RETURN**

The excess stock returned for credit must have been purchased from Ford Customer Service Division by Policy Procedure Bulletin 4000.

## REPLACED FSA PARTS INSPECTION AND SIGN OFF

Effective March 1<sup>st,</sup> 2021, all parts replaced as part of an FSA repair with a repair order open date of March 1<sup>st,</sup> 2021, or later must be inspected and signed off on the repair order by a member of your dealer fixed operations management team or an employee of the task has been delegated to. If the task is to be delegated to a non-management employee, the employee needs to be someone other than the technician who completed the repair and needs to understand the importance of completing this task consistently and accurately.

## REPLACED FSA PARTS INSPECTION AND SIGN OFF (Continued)

- All parts replaced as part of an FSA repair should be returned to the parts department following the Warranty Parts Retention and Return Policies.
- Inspect the replaced parts to verify the FSA repair was completed.
- If the FSA repair is found to be complete, the designated employee signs the repair order line or parts return stamp area (electronic or hand signed) for the FSA repair indicating the parts were inspected and validated to have been replaced.
- After the parts have been inspected, they should be handled based on the guidance in the
  parts status report in the Online Warranty System (Hold, Return, CORE, Scrap, etc.). Please
  visit FMCDEALER > PARTS & SERVICE > WARRANTY ADMINISTRATION & WARRANTY
  PARTS RETURN for the latest Immediate Scrap List information.
- This process is subject to review during warranty audits for FSA repairs with a repair order open date of March 1<sup>st,</sup> 2021, or later. Any eligible FSA claims requiring parts replacement found not to have been inspected and signed off during a warranty audit will be subject to chargeback and consideration for enrollment into the Dealer Incomplete Recall Repair Process.

**Note**: Other approvals (electronic or handwritten) for add-on repair lines, dealer-owned vehicle repairs, and repeat repairs do not qualify as FSA parts inspection approvals. The post-repair FSA parts inspection process (electronic or handwritten) is independent of other warranty approval requirements. The approval by the designated employee implies that the FSA parts were found to be replaced and must be able to be identified on the Repair Order. If multiple FSAs require approval on a single Repair Order, each applicable occurrence will require individual post-repair approval by the designated employee.

# CERTAIN 2023 MODEL YEAR F-150 LIGHTNING BEV VEHICLES — HIGH VOLTAGE BATTERY JUNCTION BOX BUS BAR RETENTION NUT INSPECTION

## NEW! SERVICE PROCEDURE

IMPORTANT! The Service Technician Specialty Training (STST) Competency 10 certification requirement, for U.S. market only, will be enforced starting with repair orders opened on or after April 1, 2024. Field Service Action (FSA) repairs will reject if the repairing technician is not certified in STST Competency 10 FSA. See Electronic Field Communication (EFC) 14251 for more details.



IMPORTANT: This Field Service Action (FSA), must be performed by a certified BEV technician.



IMPORTANT: This procedure was modified from the original Workshop Manual (WSM) procedure. Follow technical instructions carefully.

**NOTE:** If you do not have the special service tools referenced in the Workshop Manual to perform the Field Service Action repair, please contact 1-800-ROTUNDA and choose option 3 to place an order.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Federal law prohibits selling motor vehicle parts or components that are under safety, compliance, or emissions recall. Unless a part is requested to be returned to Ford, all parts replaced under this FSA must be scrapped in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal environmental protection and hazardous material regulations. Refer to the Parts Retention, Return, & Scrapping section of the FSA dealer bulletin for further information.

- 1. If this vehicle has been previously inspected and failed, refer to recorded bus bar torque data on the RO and/or Figure 14 and continue to Step 30. If this vehicle has not yet been inspected, continue to Step 2.
- 2. Remove the High Voltage Battery (HVB) Cover. Follow the procedures in Workshop Manual (WSM) Section 414-03A.

3. Disconnect the Battery Energy Control Module (BECM) electrical connectors in the sequence shown. See Figure 1.



**NOTICE:** The BECM electrical connectors must be disconnected in the sequence shown or component damage may occur.

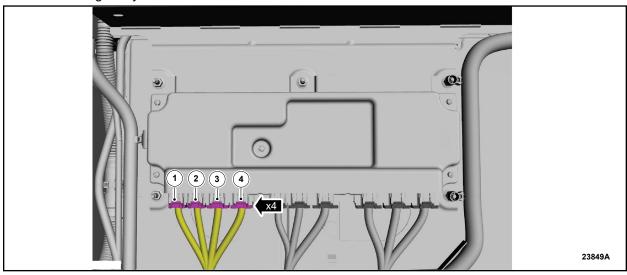


FIGURE 1



**NOTICE:** Wait 10 seconds after disconnect the BECM electrical connector shown, See Figure 2, before disconnecting the remaining electrical connectors or component damage may occur.

4. Disconnect the BECM electrical connector. See Figure 2.

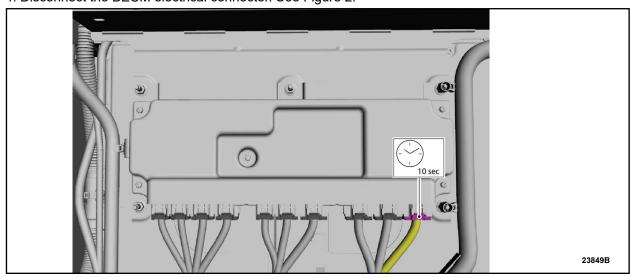


FIGURE 2



**NOTICE:** The BECM electrical connectors must be disconnected in the sequence shown or component damage may occur.

5. Disconnect the BECM electrical connectors in the sequence shown. See Figure 3.

For Standard Range Batteries - Continue to Step 6. For Extended Range Batteries - Continue to Step 16.

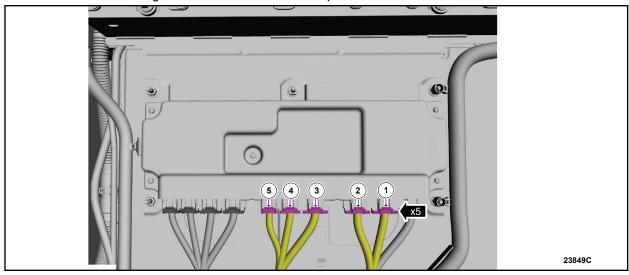


FIGURE 3

## **STANDARD RANGE BATTERIES**

- 6. Open the terminal covers and remove the bolts. See Figure 4. Torque: 119 lb.in (13.5 Nm)
- 7. Remove the bus bar. See Figure 4.
- 8. Install the battery module terminal covers. See Figure 4.

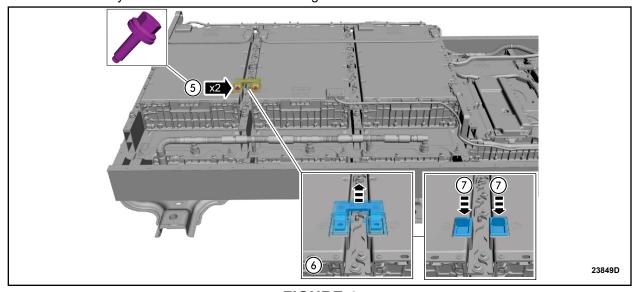


FIGURE 4

- 9. Open the terminal covers and remove the bolts. See Figure 5. Torque: 119 lb.in (13.5 Nm)
- 10. Remove the bus bar. See Figure 5.
- 11. Install the battery module terminal cover. See Figure 5.

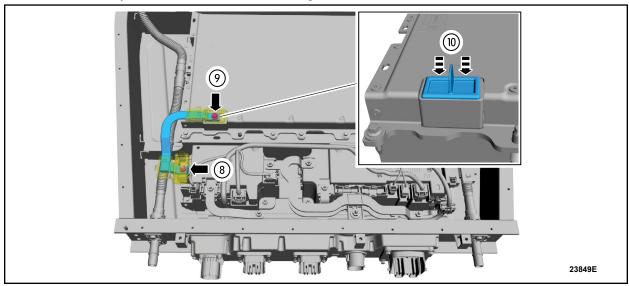


FIGURE 5

12. Open the terminal cover and remove the bus bar nut. See Figure 6.

Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)

13. Open the terminal cover, remove the bolt and the bus bar. See Figure 6.

Torque: 119 lb.in (13.5 Nm)

14. Install the battery module terminal cover. See Figure 6.

15. Continue to Step 25.

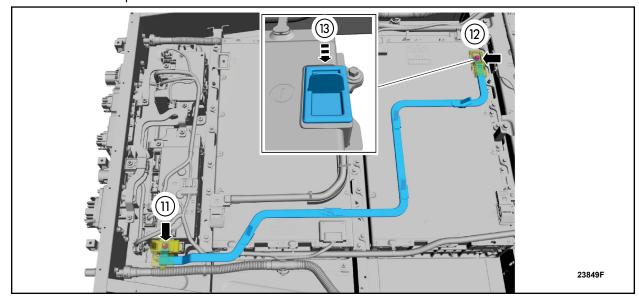


FIGURE 6

## **EXTENDED RANGE BATTERIES**

16. Open the terminal covers and remove the bolts. See Figure 7. Torque: 119 lb.in (13.5 Nm)

17. Remove the bus bar. See Figure 7.

18. Install the battery module terminal covers. See Figure 7.

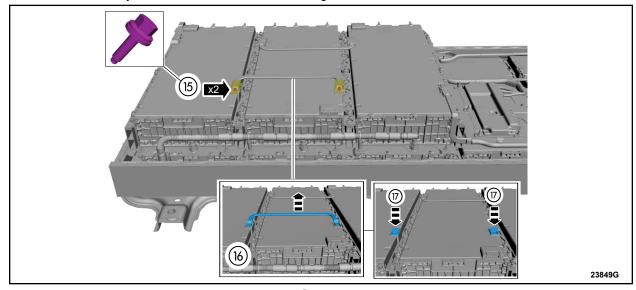


FIGURE 7

19. Open the terminal cover and remove the bus bar nut. See Figure 8. Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)

20. Open the terminal cover, remove the bolt and the bus bar. See Figure 8.

Torque: 119 lb.in (13.5 Nm)

21. Install the battery module terminal cover. See Figure 8.

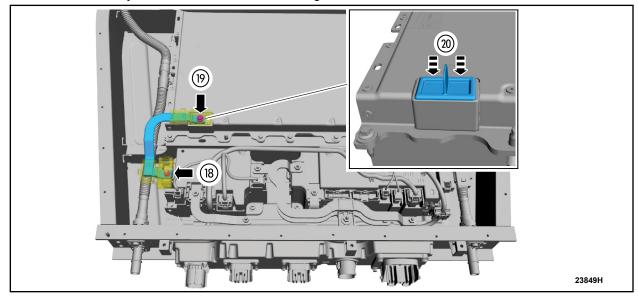


FIGURE 8

22. Open the terminal cover and remove the bus bar nut. See Figure 9.

Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)

23. Open the terminal cover, remove the bolt and the bus bar. See Figure 9.

Torque: 119 lb.in (13.5 Nm)

24. Install the battery module terminal cover. See Figure 9.

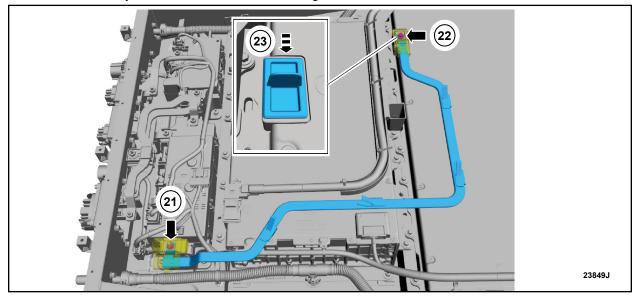


FIGURE 9

## **ALL VEHICLES**

25. Using a voltage meter drain both High Voltage Battery Junction Boxes to zero. Place the negative probe on the battery case. Touching the terminals will drain the capacitors. See Figure 10.

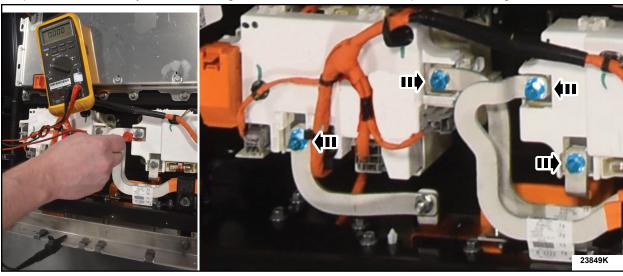
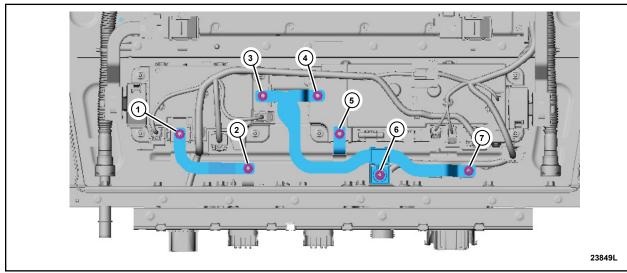


FIGURE 10

26. Check the residual torque-to-tighten on the bolts in Figure 11. Record the data.

Torque-to-tighten: 7.5 Nm (66.4 lb.in) to 13.8 Nm (122.1 in.lb)

NOTE: Make sure to record the data based on the numbers in the figure below.



## FIGURE 11

27. Remove the nuts and the bus bar. See Figure 12.

Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)

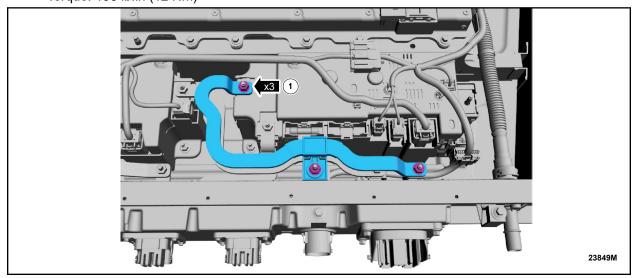


FIGURE 12

28. Check the residual torque-to-tighten on the bolt in Figure 13. Record the data.

Torque-to-tighten: 7.5 Nm (66.4 lb.in) to 13.8 Nm (122.1 in.lb)

**NOTE:** Make sure to record the data based on the number in the figure below.

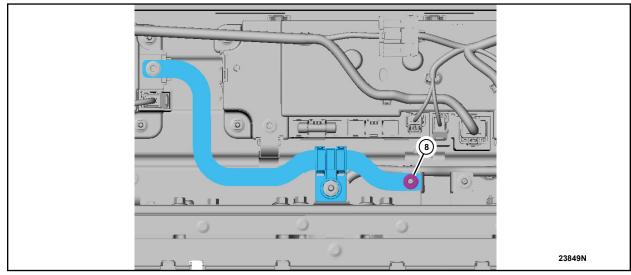


FIGURE 13

- 29. Were any fasteners missing or did any fasteners not pass the torque check?
  - No Reassemble vehicle by reversing steps 2-27.
  - Yes Continue to Step 30.
- 30. Using the chart below to determine which part(s) need to be replaced, based on what bus bar fasteners were found to be loose or missing. See Figure 14.

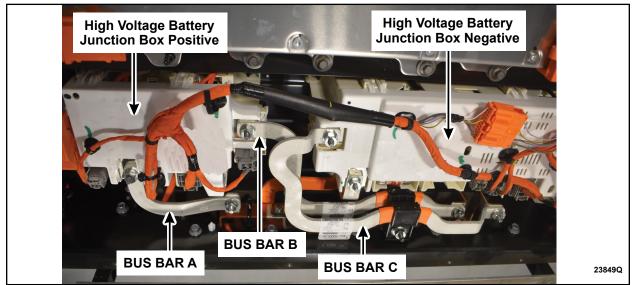
**NOTE:** More than one repair may be required.

Nut position loose or missing	Repair required		
1	1 High Voltage Battery Junction Box Positive and Bus Bar A		
2	High Voltage Battery Connector Assembly and Bus Bar A		
3	High Voltage Battery Junction Box Positive and Bus Bar B		
4	High Voltage Battery Junction Box Negative and Bus Bar C		
5 High Voltage Battery Junction Box Negative and High Voltage Battery Connector Assembly 6 Torque or replace missing nut 7 High Voltage Battery Connector Assembly and Bus Bar C			
		8	High Voltage Battery Connector Assembly and Bus Bar B

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FIGURE 14

## 31. See Figures 15 and 16 to determine which part(s) will be replaced.



## FIGURE 15

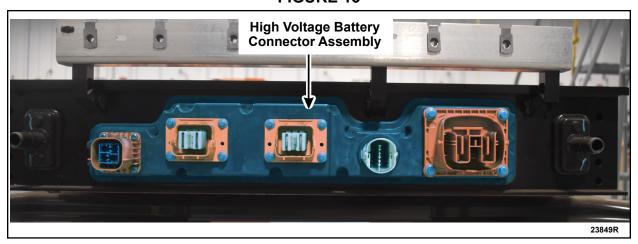


FIGURE 16

32. Follow the listed procedures in WSM depending on the repair needed.

High Voltage Battery Junction Box Positive - WSM Section 414-03A

Bus Bar A - WSM Section 414-03A Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)

High Voltage Battery Connector Assembly - WSM Section 414-03A

Bus Bar B - WSM Section 414-03A Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)

High Voltage Battery Junction Box Negative - WSM Section 414-03A

Bus Bar C - WSM Section 414-03A Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)

**NOTE:** Fasteners for the high voltage battery connector assembly are one time use and need to be replaced with the connector.

33. Reassemble vehicle by reversing steps 2-28.

## **Mobile Service Repair Assessment**

Assessment levels have been identified to help determine the ease of performing eligible mobile service repairs for a Field Service Action (FSA) outside of the dealership service facility.

#### **Dealer Bulletin**

Within the Administrative Information Attachment of the dealer bulletin a mobile service repair assessment level(s) will be provided. These assessment levels have been determined using the amount of time, equipment and labor identified to perform the intended service action.

#### **Assessment Levels**

- Mobile Reprogramming
   Light Mobile Service
   Enhanced Mobile Service
   Advanced Mobile Service
   Wheel and Tire Mobile Service
- Not a Mobile Service Repair

## Description of each level that is used to determine the overall assessment.

- Mobile Reprogramming
  - Module Programming or similar type services
  - Minimum tools maybe required other than an IDS/FDRS setup
  - FDRS programming that requires internet connection (wi-fi or mobile hotspot)
  - Make sure vehicle has a charge port to ensure battery voltage is maintained during flashing of the module(s)
  - Repairs not greater than 1 hour in length (including time to wait for programming)

    Note: The location will need a charging station or wall box to maintain the 12-volt battery.
- Light Mobile Service
  - Interior repair procedures that do not require seat, dash, or headliner removal
  - Under hood repairs that do not require large component removal
  - Exterior repairs that do not require large component/panel removal
  - Repairs may require standard hand tools (Access to a Technician starter kit or similar)

## - Enhanced Mobile Service

- A two-person process is required anytime a procedure requires work under the vehicle
- Brake Inspection and Brake Repair/Replacement
- Limited Suspension Component replacement (no alignment)
- Under Vehicle access for limited repairs (no large component removal)
- Vehicle Check Up VCU
- Pre-Delivery Inspection PDI
- Used Car Inspection/Presale Inspection
- May require floor jack, jack stands, and impact tools

Note: Wheel lock may be required.

## - Advanced Mobile Service

- Fluid Exchange/Oil Change
- Light Repairs
- Brake Hydraulic Repairs



- Wheel and Tire Mobile Service
  - Tire Removal from Wheel
  - Tire Balancing
  - Tire Repair

Note: Specialized Mobile Service unit and equipment including Tire balancer and Tire Changer required.

## Not a Mobile Service Repair

- Large component removal
- BEV Battery Replacement
- Requires a vehicle hoist to complete the repair (more than inspection)
- Required vehicle alignment
- Requires significant vehicle disassembly
- Repairs greater than 2-3 hours
- Any repairs that require M-Time
- Includes a service procedure where the vehicle owner may be distressed about the state of their vehicle

## 24S11 - *Supplement #1*

## **Vehicle Pick-Up and Delivery Record**

VIN	re	ceived (check one):
☐ Pick-up and	d/or delivery service	
As outlined below	for the 24S11 Field Serv	ice Action program.
□ Pick-up	– Date:	
□ Delivery	– Date:	
Repair Order #		Repair Order Date
Service Manager	Signature	Date

## Ford Motor Company Recall Reimbursement Plan for 24S11

Ford and Lincoln dealers are in the best position to quickly and efficiently process reimbursement requests. However, federal legislation requires all motor vehicle manufacturers to establish processes through which customers may seek recall reimbursement directly from the manufacturer or the dealers.

Regarding the specific reimbursement plan for Recall # 24S11, owners who have paid for service to remedy the defect or noncompliance must have had that service performed before April 5, 2024. After this date, if repairs related to this recall are performed by a non-Ford repair facility in an emergency, customers must submit any refund requests through their dealership. As required by this federal regulation, Ford Motor Company submitted the details of its latest General Recall Reimbursement Plan in a letter to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in May 2021. The following is the text of that letter and the Plan:

#### **General Recall Reimbursement Plan**

(As submitted to the NHTSA)

Pursuant to the requirements set forth in 49 CFR Part 573 and Part 577 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Ford Motor Company (Ford) is submitting required information pertaining to our general reimbursement plan for the cost of remedies paid for by vehicle owners before they are notified of a related safety recall.

Set forth below is Ford's general plan to reimburse owners and purchasers for costs incurred for remedies in advance of notification of potential safety-related defects or noncompliances pursuant to Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i). This plan has not changed since our May 5, 2021 submission.

## Reimbursement Notification

Ford's notice to a vehicle owner in accordance with 49 CFR Part 577 will indicate that Ford is offering a refund if the owner paid to have service to remedy the defect or noncompliance prior to a specified ending date. In accordance with Part 573.13 (c)(2), this ending date will be defined as a minimum of ten calendar days after the date on which Ford mailed the last of its Part 577 notifications to owners and will be indicated in the specific reimbursement plan available to owners for an individual recall. This notice will direct owners to seek eligible reimbursement through authorized dealers or, at their option, directly through Ford at the following address:

Ford Motor Company P.O. Box 6251 Dearborn, MI 48121-6251

Ford notes that this rule allows for the identification of a beginning date for reimbursement eligibility. Under the rule, an owner who paid to remedy the defect or noncompliance prior to the identified beginning date would not be eligible for reimbursement. Ford generally has not established such a beginning date for reimbursement eligibility and does not presently anticipate changing this general policy. However, in any case where Ford determines a beginning date is appropriate, Ford will indicate that date in the owner notice. As permitted by 577.11(e), Ford may not include a reimbursement notification when all vehicles are well within the warranty period, subject to approval by the Agency.

#### Costs to be Reimbursed

For vehicles, reimbursement will not be less than the lesser of:

- The amount paid by the owner for the remedy that specifically addressed and was reasonably necessary to correct the defect or noncompliance that is the subject of the recall, or
- The cost of parts for the remedy (to be no more than the manufacturer's list retail price for authorized part(s), plus associated labor at local labor rates, miscellaneous fees (such as disposal of waste) and taxes.

For replacement equipment, reimbursement will be the amount paid by the owner for the replacement item (limited by the amount of the retail list price of the defective or noncompliant item that was replaced, plus taxes, where the brand or model purchased by the owner was different than the brand or model that was the subject of the recall). If the item of motor vehicle equipment was repaired, the reimbursement provisions identified above for vehicles will apply.

Ford notes that costs incurred by the owner within the period during which Ford's original or extended warranty would have provided for a free repair of the problem will not be eligible for reimbursement, as provided by Part 573.13 (d)(1).

### Entities Authorized to Provide Reimbursement

Ford will continue to use authorized dealers to reimburse owners under the specific reimbursement plans for a particular recall and will encourage owners to pursue requests for reimbursement directly through dealers to expedite reimbursement. Ford will also provide a mailing address to which customers can, at their option, send requests for reimbursement directly to Ford, as previously noted. Requests for reimbursement sent directly to Ford may take up to 60 days to process. Whether the owner chooses to pursue reimbursement requests through a dealer or directly through Ford, the owner will be directed to submit the required documentation, upon which reimbursement eligibility will be determined.

## Required Documentation

The reimbursement determination will depend upon the information provided by the customer. Consistent with Part 573.13 (d)(4) the following information must be submitted:

- Claimant name and address
- Vehicle make, model and model year
- Vehicle identification number (VIN) and, for replacement equipment, a description of such equipment or, for tires, the model, size and TIN (DOT code)
- Identification of the recall number (either the Ford recall number or the NHTSA recall number)
- Identification of the owner of the recalled vehicle at the time that the pre-notification remedy was obtained
- An original receipt for the pre-notification remedy that includes a breakdown of the amount for parts, labor, other costs and taxes, including costs for the replacement item. Where the receipt covers work other than to address the recall or noncompliance, Ford may require the claimant to separately identify costs that are eligible for reimbursement.
- If the remedy was obtained during the warranty repair did not correct the problem related to the recall

Failure to submit all the above information may result in denial of the reimbursement request.

## Additional Information

The Part 577 required owner notice will provide a toll-free telephone number through which specific information about the reimbursement plan can be requested from Ford. This general reimbursement plan will be incorporated into notifications pursuant to Part 573.6 by reference. Information specific to an individual recall also may be incorporated into the Part 573.6 notification.