2023MY Forte Right Front Lower Control Arm Basis of Safety Defect Determination 573.6(c)(6)

| January 29, 2024 | Kia America receives Techline case with report of broken right front lower control arm (LCA) at welds involving a 2023MY Kia Forte. Failure occurred after customer hit pothole. |
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| January 31, 2024— March 15, 2024 | Kia NA Safety Office works with dealer to collect part from subject 2023MY Forte. Upon receipt, Kia NA Safety Office ships subject LCA to Kia Mexico for further evaluation. Kia Mexico receives subject part on March 15, 2024. |
| March 22, 2024 | Kia Mexico informs Kia NA Safety Office that supplier examined its production records and identifies other parts within the suspect lot which had not been included in recall 23V649 had been supplied to Kia Mexico for vehicle production. Kia Mexico checks vehicle production records and provides Kia NA Safety Office with VINs containing parts from the suspected lot. |
| March 25, 2024 | Kia NA Safety Office data analysis confirms no additional incidents involving broken right front LCA other than the subject 2023MY Forte identified on January 29, 2024. |
| March 25, 2024 | Kia NA decides to recall certain 2023MY Forte vehicles. No injuries, crashes, or fatalities. |