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**TO:** All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Dealers  
**SUBJECT:** **NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD**  
**Safety Recall 26S05**  
Certain 2026 Model Year E-Transit Vehicles  
High Voltage Battery (HVB) Bus Bar Fastener Inspection

**AFFECTED VEHICLES (U.S. Population Of Affected Vehicles: 98)**

Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Date Range
E-Transit	2026	Kansas City	October 14, 2025 through November 13, 2025

Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

**Note:** Some vehicles may have been repaired or are in the process of being repaired at the assembly plant. Monitor OASIS before opening an RO and/or beginning a repair. Parts purchased for an FSA can be returned for credit if required. See the EXCESS STOCK RETURN details in the FSA Policy Document for more information.

**REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL**

On some of the affected vehicles, a missing washer within the high voltage battery (HVB) bus bar fasteners may cause high resistance within the battery. This may cause high resistance and/or electrical arcing within the vehicle's HVB, increasing the risk of a fire. Additionally, the vehicle may show a 'Stop Safely Now' message on the cluster followed by a loss of motive power, increasing the risk of a crash.

**SERVICE ACTION**

Before demonstrating or delivering any new in-stock vehicles involved in this recall, dealers are to inspect the HVB bus bar fastener bolts for the presence of a washer, and replace the bus bars and bolts if no washer is present. 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.

**FSA PROGRAM OPTIONS**

Program Option	Eligibility	Comments
Mobile Repair	No	See <b>Mobile Service Repair Assessment Level</b> section below, if applicable.
Over-the-Air (OTA) Update	No	See <b>Over-The-Air (OTA) Updates</b> section of the FSA Policy Document, if applicable.
Rentals	Yes	See the <b>Rental Vehicles</b> section below, if applicable.
Alternative Transportation Available	No	See <b>Alternate Transportation</b> section in the FSA Policy Document.
Pickup & Delivery (PDL)	Yes	See <b>Pickup &amp; Delivery</b> section in the FSA Policy document.

### **FSA PROGRAM OPTIONS (continued)**

Towing	Conditional	See <b>Towing</b> section below, if applicable.
Essential Special Service Tools (ESST)	Yes	See <b>Technical Instructions</b> and/or <b>Workshop Manual (WSM)</b> as needed.
Administrative Allowance	No	See <b>Administrative Allowance</b> section in FSA Policy Document, and if applicable, <b>Labor Allowances</b> table below.
Owner Refunds	Yes	See <b>Owner Refunds</b> section below, if applicable.
Photo Submission	No	See <b>Repair Photo Submission</b> section below, if applicable.

**Note:** For further information on certain Program Options above, see the corresponding section within the FSA Policy Document.

### **OWNER NOTIFICATION MAILING SCHEDULE**

Owner letters are expected to be mailed the week of February 9, 2026 or sooner. Dealers should repair any affected vehicles that arrive at their dealerships, whether or not the customer has received a letter.

### **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.**

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- Technical Instructions
- Owner Notification Letter
- Recall Reimbursement Plan

### **REFERENCE MATERIAL**

- Warranty & Policy Manual (located on FMCDealer Warranty Portal Page):  
[www.fmcdealer.dealerconnection.com/content/fmcdealer/us/en/parts\\_service/wty.html](http://www.fmcdealer.dealerconnection.com/content/fmcdealer/us/en/parts_service/wty.html)
- FSA Policy Document (located on FMCDealer FSA Resources Page for Ford and Lincoln dealerships):  
[www.fmcdealer.dealerconnection.com/content/fmcdealer/us/en/parts\\_service/fsa/rsc.html](http://www.fmcdealer.dealerconnection.com/content/fmcdealer/us/en/parts_service/fsa/rsc.html)
- FSA Policy Document (located on the Fleet SharePoint site for Fleets with in-house warranty):  
<https://azureford.sharepoint.com/sites/OneWarrantySolution/usfleet/SitePages/Home.aspx>


### **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.

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### **MOBILE SERVICE REPAIR ASSESSMENT LEVEL**

- All Vehicles Affected
  -  - Not a Mobile Service Repair (MRA5)

### **OASIS ACTIVATION**

OASIS will be activated on February 4, 2026.

### **FSA VIN LISTS ACTIVATION**

FSA VIN Lists will be available through <https://web.fsavinlists.dealerconnection.com> on February 4, 2026. Owner names and addresses will be available by February 27, 2026.

**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 installing missing washers within the HVB.

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### RENTAL VEHICLES

Dealers are pre-approved for up to 2 days for a rental vehicle. Follow Customer Loyalty Program (CLP) 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 2 rental day(s) is required from the Centralized Loaner Support Team. Contact the Centralized Loaner Support Team via the CRC Dealer Portal for consideration and approval if appropriate.

### TOWING

If towing is required, dealers are authorized to claim up to a maximum value of \$250 to provide towing services for this program under the following condition: the vehicle is unable to move under its own power due to a missing washer causing the system to disable the high voltage battery.

### 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
  - Lincoln vehicles – 4 years or 50,000 miles
  - F-650/F-750 trucks – 2 years, regardless of miles driven
- **For vehicles outside new vehicle bumper-to-bumper warranty coverage:**
  - Submit an Approval Request to the SSSC Web Contact Site before completing the repair.
- See “Additional Repair Info” in the FSA Policy Document for further Terms and Conditions.

### 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 August 31, 2024. FSA repairs will be rejected, and the claim will not be paid if the repairing technician is not certified in STST Competency 10 FSA. See EFC15936 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 26S05 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 Customer Loyalty Program (CLP) guidelines for dollar amounts. Enter the total amount of the rental expense under the Miscellaneous Expense code **RENTAL**.

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- **Refunds:** Submit refunds on a separate repair line.
  - Program Code: 26S05
  - Misc. Expense: ADMIN
  - Misc. Expense: REFUND
  - 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.
- **Provision for Towing:** Dealers are authorized to claim up to a maximum value of \$250 to provide towing services for completing this program. Submit on the same line as the repair.
  - Program Code: 26S05
  - Misc. Expense: TOW
  - Misc. Expense: Claim up to \$250.00

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**LABOR ALLOWANCES**

**NOTE:** Only one labor operation may be claimed from this table. (Additional supplemental labor operations may be claimed from the Supplemental Labor Allowances table.)

Description	Labor Operation	Labor Time Hour(s)
Inspect HVB bus bar fasteners; all washers confirmed present. No bus bars replaced. <b>This labor operation code closes the FSA.</b>	26S05A	5.1 Hours
Inspect HVB bus bar fasteners; 1-6 bus bars replaced due to missing washers. <b>This labor operation code closes the FSA.</b>	26S05B	5.3 Hours
Inspect HVB bus bar fasteners; 7-12 bus bars replaced due to missing washers. <b>This labor operation code closes the FSA.</b>	26S05C	5.5 Hours

**SUPPLEMENTAL LABOR ALLOWANCES** **These labor operation codes DO NOT close the FSA.**

**NOTE:** Claim any relevant supplemental labor operations in addition to the primary labor operation.

Description	Labor Operation	Labor Time Hour(s)
Additional time to remove and install running boards for lifting vehicle. Must be claimed with 26S05A, 26S05B, or 26S05C.	26S05D	0.3 Hours
<b>Ford Vehicle Pick-Up &amp; Delivery Allowance:</b> <b>This allowance is only for <u>non-eligible</u> 2026 Remote Experience Program Dealers.</b> <b>NOTE:</b> This allowance is for dealer-performed vehicle Pick-Up & Delivery for dealership repairs only. Can only be claimed once, regardless of outstanding FSAs repaired.	26S05PP	0.5 Hours

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**PARTS REQUIREMENTS / ORDERING INFORMATION**

Inspection required, see Technical Instructions.

Service Part Number	Claim Quantity	Package Order Quantity	Number in Package	Description
W720565-S450B	As needed	As needed	4	Bolt with washer
R2FZ-14A033-*	Only needed if bolt is missing a washer		1	Bus Bar <b>*NOTE*</b> There are 7 possible bus bars depending on the location within the high voltage battery. Verify using the parts catalog.
VC-13DL-G	As needed up to 4 gallons		Bulk order	High voltage battery coolant - pre-diluted

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

Less than 1% of the affected vehicle population is expected to require bolt and bus bar replacement.

**DEALER PRICE**

For the latest prices, refer to DOES II.

**PARTS RETENTION, RETURN, & SCRAPPING**

Please refer to the FSA Policy Document for any and all questions on parts.

**EXCESS STOCK RETURN**

Please refer to the FSA Policy Document for any and all questions on parts.

**REPLACED FSA PARTS INSPECTION AND SIGN OFF**


Please refer to the FSA Policy Document for any and all questions on parts.

## CERTAIN 2026 MODEL YEAR E-TRANSIT VEHICLES — HIGH VOLTAGE BATTERY (HVB) BUS BAR FASTENER INSPECTION

### SERVICE PROCEDURE

**IMPORTANT!** The Service Technician Specialty Training (STST) Competency 10 certification requirement in the U.S. market only will be enforced starting with repair orders opened on or after August 31, 2024. Field Service Action (FSA) repairs will reject and the claim will not be paid if the repairing technician is not certified in STST Competency 10 FSA. See Electronic Field Communication (EFC)15936 for more details.

 **IMPORTANT:** This FSA must be performed by a technician certified in STST competencies 43 and 44.

 **WARNING:** Service of the high voltage system on this vehicle is restricted to qualified personnel. The required qualifications vary by region. Always observe local laws and legislative directives regarding electric vehicle service. Failure to follow this instruction may result in serious personal injury or death.

**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.

1. Log into Ford Diagnostic and Repair System (FDRS).

**NOTE:** Vehicle information is automatically retrieved by the diagnostic software and a Network Test is run. Vehicle identification data appears on the screen when this is complete.

2. Click **Read VIN from Vehicle** or manually enter the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN).

**NOTE:** Available modules are shown on the left hand (LH) side of the screen and available procedures are listed on the right hand (RH) side of the screen. Modules that are communicating are highlighted in green.

3. From the list on the RH side of the screen, select **Self-Test** and click **RUN**.

4. Click the **Run Selected Tests** button in the lower right.

- Are any of the following diagnostic trouble codes (DTCs) present: P0AA6, P0B24, P0DE6 and/or P29FF?

No - Proceed to Step 5.  
Yes - Contact the SSSC.

5. Remove the Battery Energy Control Module (BECM). Follow the Workshop Manual (WSM) procedures in Section 414-03A.



6. Remove the nuts and the BECM bracket. See Figure 1.  
• Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)

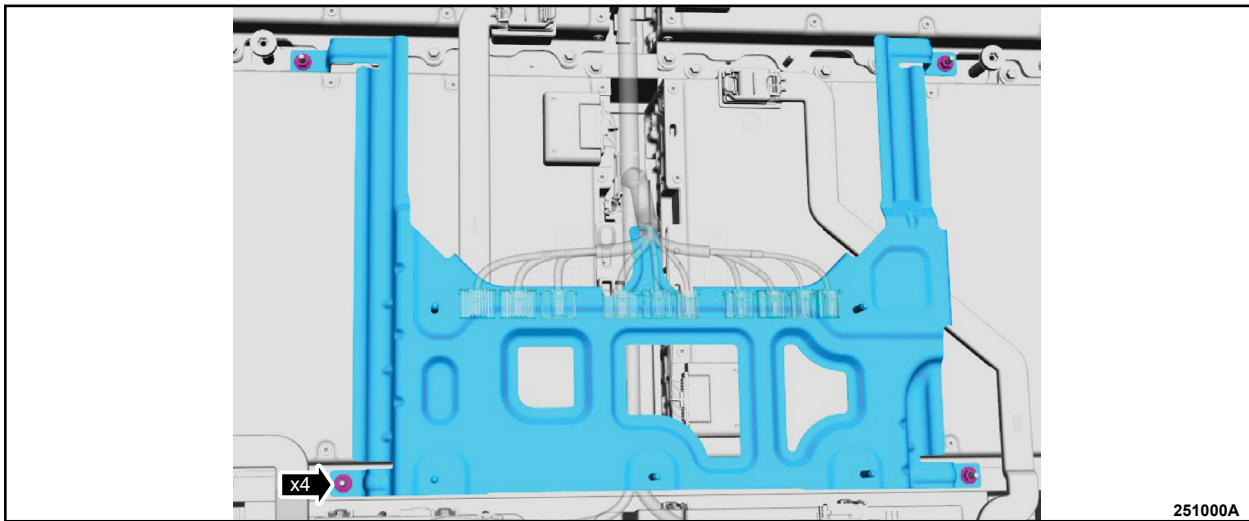


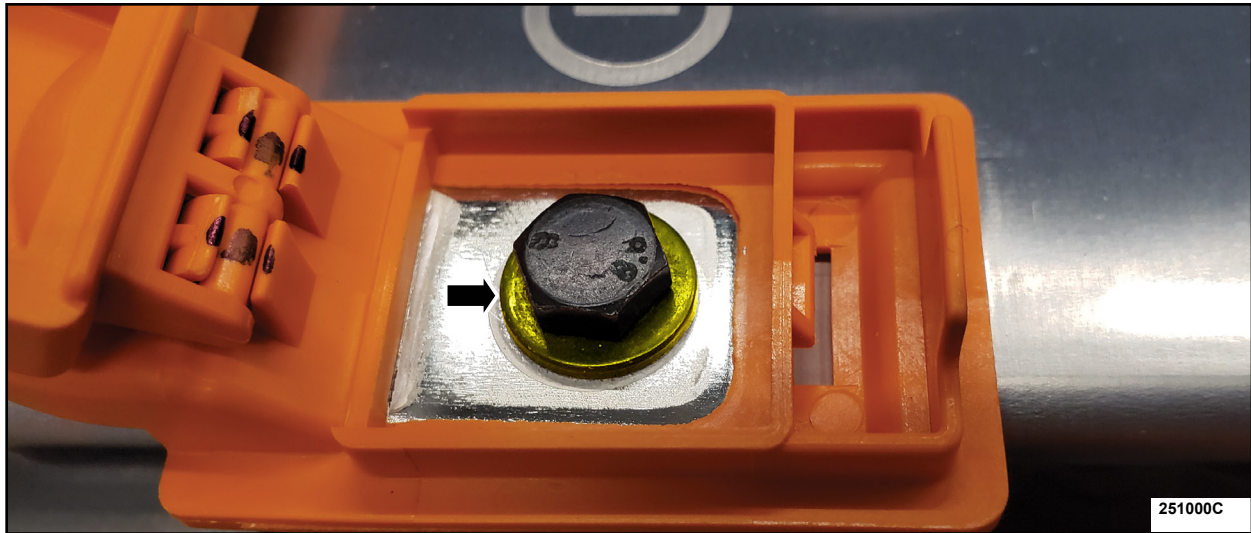
FIGURE 1

7. In the areas marked with a green circle, open the bus bar cover and inspect the bolts for washers. See Figures 2 and 3.



FIGURE 2





**FIGURE 3**

8. Are washers present in the locations shown in Figure 2?

No - Replace any bolt missing a washer and the corresponding bus bar. Continue to Step 9.

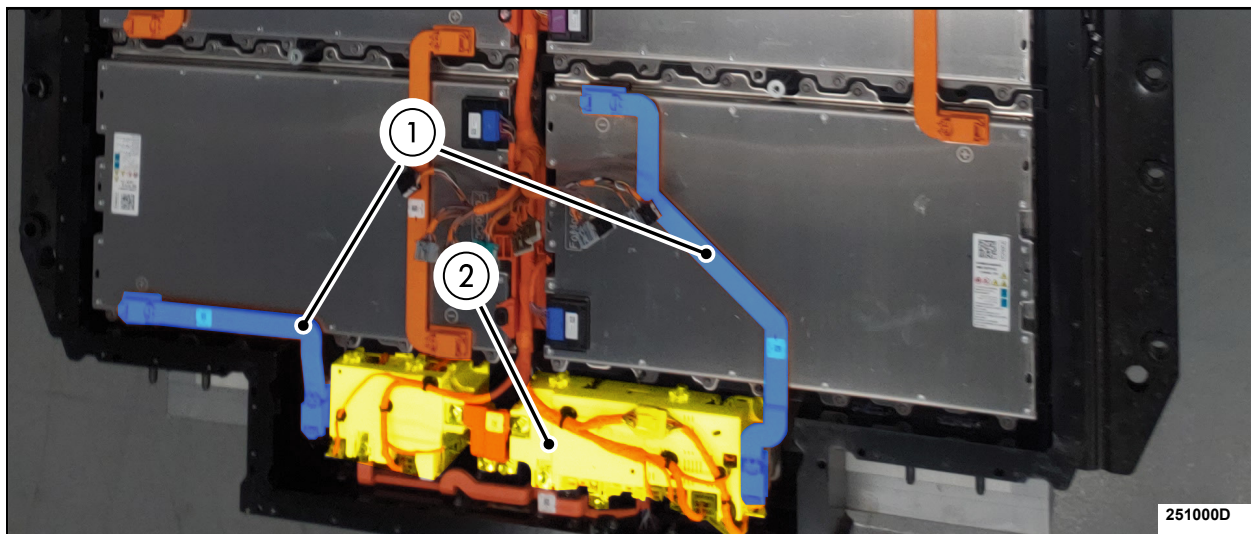
- Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)

Yes - Proceed to Step 9.

**NOTE:** When bolt and bus bar replacement is necessary make sure there is a washer attached to the new bolt.

**NOTE:** If replacement of the bus bars (1) shown below is necessary, torque the nuts at the HVB Junction Box (2) to the same value as the bus bar bolts. See Figure 4.

- Torque: 106 lb.in (12 Nm)



**FIGURE 4**



9. Reverse the removal procedure to reassemble the vehicle.

**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.**



**Ford Motor Company**  
**Recall Reimbursement Plan for 26S05**

*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 # 26S05, owners who have paid for service to remedy the defect or noncompliance must have had that service performed before February 27, 2026. 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 2025. 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 non-compliances pursuant to Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i). This plan has not changed since our May 21, 2025 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.