TO: Hyundai Dealership General Managers, Sales Managers,

Service Managers, Parts Managers, and Warranty

Administrators

FROM: Hyundai Motor America

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SUBJECT: Airbag Disposal - Recall 106 - 2012/2013 Sonata - Curtain Air Bag

Replacement - TSB# 12-01-019-2

Recall 106 (TSB 12-01-019-2) refers to the 2012-2013 Sonata Service Shop Manual (Restraint (RT) section) for Airbag Module Disposal procedures.

Some state regulatory agencies may consider the "pre-disposal" deployment of an airbag and seatbelt pre-tensioner assembly as hazardous material treatment.

The type of airbag inflator may be relevant to whether or not regulations permit the pre-disposal deployment. The 2012/2013 Sonata Side Curtain Air Bag Assembly utilizes a metal cylinder of compressed helium (an inert gas) to inflate the air bag (other airbags may use chemical gas generators to produce gas to fill the airbag). Hyundai Motor America has confirmed with the airbag supplier that there are no hazardous by-products when the side curtain air bag is deployed; however, Hyundai Motor America recommends that before performing the pre-disposal deployment procedure outlined in the Service Shop Manual, dealers follow all applicable environmental and hazardous material regulations in their respective states as pre-disposal deployment may (or may not) be considered hazardous material treatment.

Links to individual states' environmental regulatory web sites can be found at http://www.epa.gov/wastes/wyl/stateprograms.htm.