## \* \* ADVANCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION NOTICE \* \*

DATE: January 27, 2021

TO: Mitsubishi Motors US and Puerto Rico Dealer Principals, General Managers, Service Managers, and Parts Managers

#### RE: Parking Brake Caliper Safety Recall Campaign

TIN NO. ATIN-20-SR-005

**AFFECTED VEHICLES:** Certain 2016 Outlander and 2016 Outlander Sport

#### PURPOSE

A safety recall will be conducted on certain 2016 Outlander and Outlander Sport vehicles regarding the rear brake calipers.

Due to improper assembly operation at the supplier, the coating for rust prevention on the rear brake operating shaft could peel off during the assembly process when the shaft is installed to the rear brake caliper body. As a result, penetrating water from the rear brake caliper boot may cause the brake operating shaft to rust. If this occurs, the rear brake operating shaft may become stuck, potentially causing brake dragging and/or a decrease in parking brake performance.

An Interim Notification Letter was mailed to affected owners on January 25, 2021. The letter informed customers that **parts are not available and that they will be re-notified once an adequate number of parts become available**. Additionally, the affected owners were informed that if they believe their vehicle's rear parking brake caliper exhibits dragging or decreased performance, they may schedule an appointment with their local Authorized Mitsubishi Motors dealer to have it inspected.

If you receive a customer inquiry stating they are experiencing rear caliper dragging or decreased parking brake performance, please verify the vehicle is affected by Recall C2005R on the Superscreen. If you confirm the condition described above exists, following Service Manual procedures, replace the affected rear caliper(s) with service parts, submit a warranty claim for reimbursement, and advise the customer to return once they receive they receive another letter advising them that remedy parts are available.

You will be notified again when additional updates become available. We appreciate your patience while we make the necessary preparations to launch this recall.

### IMPORTANT

Affected new or used inventory vehicles must be repaired before the vehicle is sold/delivered. Dealers must check their inventory vehicles' VINs on the Warranty Superscreen to verify whether the vehicle is involved in this recall campaign. It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to sell/deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by the notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.



# **IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL**

PO Box 689040 Franklin, TN 37069 Telephone: 888-648-7820 www.mitsubishicars.com

This notice applies to your vehicle, \_\_\_\_\_

Date: January , 2021

Dear FIRSTNAME LASTNAME,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Reason for interim notice: Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. (MMNA) has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2016 Outlander and 2016 Outlander Sport vehicles. Due to improper assembly operation at the supplier, the coating for rust prevention on the rear brake operating shaft could peel off during the assembly process when the shaft is installed to the rear brake caliper body. As a result, penetrating water from the rear brake caliper boot may cause the brake operating shaft to rust. If this occurs, the rear brake operating shaft may become stuck, potentially causing brake dragging and/or a decrease in parking brake performance. If the parking brake does not operate properly, it could lead to a vehicle rollaway and increase the risk of a crash.

MMNA intends to repair your vehicle free of charge (parts and labor). However, the parts that may be required to provide a permanent remedy for this condition are currently not available. MMNA is making every effort to obtain these parts as quickly as possible, and will contact you again by mail with a follow-up recall notice when the remedy parts are available.

What you should do: Once you receive your follow-up notice in the mail advising that parts are available, simply contact your local Authorized Mitsubishi Motors dealer to schedule an appointment to have the repair performed. In the interim, if you believe that your vehicle's rear parking brake caliper exhibits dragging or decreased performance, you may schedule an appointment with your local Authorized Mitsubishi Motors dealer to have it inspected.

If you have any questions, please contact the Mitsubishi Customer Relations Department at **888-648-7820**. Hours: Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Central Time)

If, after contacting Mitsubishi Customer Relations, you still have a problem getting this repair made within a reasonable time frame and/or without charge, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153) or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

If you have already encountered a problem with brake dragging and had it repaired or replaced as a result of this specific condition and have paid for the repair, you may send your original repair order or invoice **and** original receipt/proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement consideration:

Mitsubishi Customer Relations Department, P. O. Box 689040 Franklin, TN 37069

If you are the lessor of this vehicle, please forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days to comply with federal regulations.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,