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TO: All Mazda Dealership General Managers, Service and Parts Managers

DATE: November 2016

SUBJECT: 2016 Mazda3 Fuel Leakage from Recirculation Pipe Weld
Safety and Emission Recall 0216I

Mazda Motor Corporation has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2016 Mazda3 vehicles produced from September 24, 2015 through October 16, 2015.

On certain Mazda3 vehicles, due to possible fuel tank deformation during manufacturing, the recirculation pipe may be inappropriately welded to the fuel tank. If this weld breaks during vehicle operation, fuel leakage may occur, increasing the risk of fire.

Dealers must inspect the fuel tank on the subject vehicles and, if necessary, replace it with a new, improved one. Please refer to the Repair Procedure document for details. **Fuel tank kit orders are VIN specific and therefore not eligible for a 45-day or accrual return.**

Owners of affected vehicles will be notified by first class mail beginning November 17, 2016.

This package contains important information about Safety and Emission Recall 0216I:

Attachment I	Service Parts and Warranty Information
Attachment II	Repair Procedure
Attachment III	Owner Notification Letter and Reimbursement Form

Important Emission Notice: California Department of Motor Vehicles and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in conjunction with the California Air Resources Board and the Environmental Protection Agency for the State of Massachusetts, have implemented the Registration Renewal/Recall Tie-In Program, which requires the completion of Emission Recalls prior to registration renewal. Mazda dealers must provide customers a *Vehicle Emission Recall – Proof of Correction Certificate* (p/n 9999-95-ERPC-99 available in MStore) upon completion of the recall. Instruct customers to keep the certificate until needed for registration renewal.

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Important Safety Notice: The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act prohibits the delivery of any subject vehicle without performing the necessary repair for defects or failures. Failure to perform applicable recalls before delivery can result in extensive dealer fines and penalties from the Federal Government. Therefore, you must complete this recall for all affected vehicles in your inventory prior to delivery.

To help you effectively perform this recall, Mazda has developed the following resources:

1. Service and Parts information and Repair Procedure documents are available on eMDCS and MS3 (Mazda Service Support System) websites via MXConnect.
2. For technical assistance, contact the Technical Assistance Hotline at (888) 832-8477, Option 3.
3. For warranty questions, contact the Warranty Hotline at (877) 727-6626, Option 3.
4. For parts questions, contact the Corporate Dealer Assistance Group at (877) 727-6626 Option 2.
5. We recommend using the Recall Reminder Report #JS30R165-1 and Recall Reminder Labels available in Web Reporting to encourage customers to come in for the recall (with recall reminder postcards). Dealers may use such owner information for the sole purpose of conducting and performing this recall, and for no other purpose. **Using it for marketing activities is strictly prohibited and could subject your dealership to serious fines.** The information in the report is protected by state privacy and other applicable laws regarding disclosure of personal and/or confidential, restricted or blocked information. It is the dealer's responsibility to protect the confidentiality of owner records and prevent the release of information to other parties.

Please make certain the appropriate personnel in your dealership are aware of these resources and are familiar with the details of this recall before responding to customer inquiries.

We apologize for any inconvenience this recall may cause you and your customers. Your understanding and support in carrying out this campaign is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



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