



**Subarunet Announcement**

**To: All Subaru Retailers**  
**From: Subaru of America, Inc.**  
**Date: June 4, 2015**

**Subject: New Subaru Recall Campaign: WQS-54 Driver Assist System Delay in Warning Indicator**

Subaru of America, Inc. (Subaru) is recalling certain vehicles equipped with a driver assist system:

- 2015 model year Legacy vehicles
- 2015 model year Outback vehicles
- 2015 model year Impreza vehicles
- 2015 model year XV Crosstrek vehicles
- 2016 model year WRX vehicles

The programming of the driver assist system will not detect a fault in one of the associated system components. In the event of brake lamp switch (BLS) failure, the Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC) correctly detects the BLS failure, but the driver assist system will be delayed in detecting the BLS failure.

***Affected Vehicles***

Not all vehicles listed below are covered by this recall. Coverage for all affected vehicles must be confirmed by using the Vehicle Coverage Inquiry function on [subarunet.com](http://subarunet.com). This data is scheduled to be available when owner notification begins.

Model Year	Model	Production Start Date	Production End Date
2015	Legacy	March 10, 2014	April 16, 2015
2015	Outback	February 24, 2014	April 16, 2015
2015	Impreza	September 9, 2014	April 14, 2015
2015	XV Crosstrek	October 16, 2014	April 15, 2015
2016	WRX	March 23, 2015	March 23, 2015

***Description of the Safety Defect***

Automatic braking will not occur under the following condition:

If a BLS failure occurs, the VDC Warning Lamp will illuminate. If the driver of an affected vehicle approaches an obstacle, "Obstacle Detected" will be properly indicated on the multi information display. If the driver ignores the "Obstacle Detected" warning and does not apply the brake pedal, the VDC pressure control system will not operate. Upon noticing the "Obstacle Detected" warning, the driver can apply the brake pedal to safely stop the vehicle.

***Description of the Safety Hazard***

In the event of brake lamp switch (BLS) failure, the driver assist system will be delayed in detecting the BLS failure, which may increase the risk of a crash.

***Description of the Remedy***

The driver assist system will be reprogrammed. Information regarding the updated PAK file availability and service procedure will be released shortly.

***Retailer Program Responsibility***

Retailers are to promptly perform the applicable service procedures to correct all affected vehicles in their inventory (used, demo & SSLP). Additionally, whenever a vehicle subject to this recall is taken into retailer

inventory, or in for service, necessary steps should be taken to ensure the recall correction has been made before selling or releasing the vehicle.

Any vehicles listed in a recall/campaign that are in retailer stock must be:

- Immediately identified.
- Tagged or otherwise marked to prevent their delivery or use prior to inspection and/or repair.
- Repaired in accordance with the repair procedures outlined in the Product Campaign Bulletin, which will be issued shortly.

***Owner Notification***

Once identified, Subaru will notify potentially affected vehicle owners by first class mail. This is expected to occur within the next 60 days. Retailers will be advised when owner notification begins.