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TO: All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Dealers

SUBJECT: Safety Recall 16S24 Certain 2013-2014 Model Year F-150 Vehicles Equipped with 3.5L Ecoboost Engines Brake Master Cylinder Replacement

AFFECTED VEHICLES

Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Dates
F-150	2013-2014	Dearborn Truck	August 1, 2013 through August 22, 2014
		Kansas City	August 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014

Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL

In some of the affected vehicles, a seal in the rear of the brake master cylinder may become compromised, allowing brake fluid to leak into the brake booster. If the brake fluid reservoir is depleted below a predetermined level, the driver will be alerted that brake system service is required. The alert will include an audible chime, a full screen message center alert, and illumination of the red brake warning indicator. If the brake fluid reservoir continues to be depleted, the driver may experience a change in brake pedal travel and feel, and reduced brake function in the front wheels without affecting brake function in the rear wheels. Reduced brake function in the front wheels can extend stopping distance, increasing the risk of a crash.

SERVICE ACTION

Dealers are to replace the brake master cylinder. This service must be performed on all affected vehicles at no charge to the vehicle owner.

OWNER NOTIFICATION MAILING SCHEDULE

Owner letters were mailed the week of July 11, 2016 informing customers that parts were not available in sufficient quantities to repair all vehicles.

Follow-up letters are expected to be mailed the week of October 24, 2016 informing owners that parts are now available for their vehicles. 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 \$21,000 per vehicle. Correct all vehicles in your new vehicle inventory before delivery.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I:Administrative InformationAttachment II:Labor Allowances and Parts Ordering InformationAttachment III:Technical InformationOwner Notification LetterRecall Reimbursement Plan

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 Society (PTS) website using the SSSC link listed at the bottom of the OASIS VIN report screen or listed under the SSSC tab.

Sincerely,

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OASIS ACTIVATION

OASIS was activated on May 24, 2016.

FSA VIN LISTS ACTIVATION

FSA VIN Lists were available through <u>https://web.fsavinlists.dealerconnection.com</u> on May 24, 2016. Owner names and addresses will be available by November 4, 2016.

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.

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.

SOLD VEHICLES

- Owners of affected vehicles will be directed to dealers for repairs.
- 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.

DEALER-OPERATED RENTAL VEHICLES

A new law prohibits a Rental Company from selling, renting or leasing vehicles subject to a safety or compliance recall. This could impact dealer-operated rental fleets of 35 vehicles or more, including FRAC, LRAC, and DDR vehicles. Please see EFC04833 for details and consult your legal counsel for legal advice.

TITLE BRANDED / SALVAGED VEHICLES

Affected title branded and salvaged vehicles are eligible for this recall.

ADDITIONAL REPAIR (LABOR TIME AND/OR PARTS)

Additional repairs identified as necessary to complete the FSA should be managed as follows:

- For vehicles within new vehicle bumper-to-bumper warranty coverage, follow existing warranty and policy guidelines for related damage claims. No SSSC approval is required for these vehicles:
 - Ford vehicles 3 years or 36,000 miles
- For vehicles outside new vehicle bumper-to-bumper warranty coverage, submit an Approval Request to the SSSC Web Contact Site prior to completing the repair.

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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 prior to 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 P.O. Box 6251, Dearborn, MI 48121-6251.
- Dealers are also pre-approved to refund owner-paid <u>emergency</u> 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 repairs caused by brake fluid leaks from the rear of the brake master cylinder.

RENTAL VEHICLES

The use of rental vehicles is not approved for this program.

CLAIMS PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

- Enter claims using Direct Warranty Entry (DWE) or One Warranty Solution (OWS).
 - DWE: refer to ACESII manual for claims preparation and submission information.
 - OWS: when entering claims in DMS software, select claim type 31: Field Service Action. The FSA number (16S24) is the sub code.
- Additional labor and/or parts must be claimed as related damage on a separate repair line from the FSA.
- Submit refunds on a separate repair line.
 - Program Code: 16S24
- 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.

ATTACHMENT II

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LABOR ALLOWANCES

Description	Labor Operation	Labor Time
Replace brake master cylinder (includes time to bleed brakes)	16S24B	0.9 Hours

PARTS REQUIREMENTS / ORDERING INFORMATION

Part Number	Description	Order Quantity
EL3Z-2140-D	Brake master cylinder	1
PM-20	DOT 4 brake fluid (4 pints per sell pack, 3 pints needed)	1 sell pack

The DOR/COR number for this recall is 51056.

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

DEALER PRICE

For latest prices, refer to DOES II.

PARTS RETENTION AND RETURN

Follow the provisions of the Warranty and Policy Manual, Section 1 - WARRANTY PARTS RETENTION AND RETURN POLICIES.

EXCESS STOCK RETURN

Excess stock returned for credit must have been purchased from Ford Customer Service Division in accordance with Policy Procedure Bulletin 4000.