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Ford Customer Service Division
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*** * * IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL * * ***
(PROGRAMA DE SEGURIDAD IMPORTANTE)

Safety Recall Notice 17S15 / NHTSA Recall 17V-408
Aviso de Revisión de Seguridad 17S15

Mr. John Sample
123 Main Street
Anywhere, USA 12345

Your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN): 12345678901234567

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

Ford Motor Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in your vehicle, with the VIN shown above.

We apologize for this situation and want to assure you that, with your assistance, we will correct this condition. Our commitment, together with your dealer, is to provide you with the highest level of service and support.

What is the issue? On your vehicle, the driveshaft flexible coupling may crack with increasing mileage, resulting in driveline noise and vibration. Continued driving with a cracked flexible coupling may cause separation of the driveshaft.

What is the risk? Separation of the driveshaft can result in a loss of motive power while driving, or unintended vehicle movement in park without the parking brake applied. In addition, separation of the driveshaft can result in secondary damage to surrounding components, including brake and fuel lines. A driveshaft separation may increase the risk of injury or crash.

What will Ford and your dealer do? Ford Motor Company has authorized your dealer to **perform an interim repair until the permanent repair is available**. As an interim repair, your dealer will replace the driveshaft flexible coupling free of charge (parts and labor) every 30,000 miles. Ford **does not recommend** driving your vehicle over 30,000 miles on the driveshaft flexible coupling, except to the dealer for service. Parts for the interim repair are currently available.

If your vehicle has under 30,000 miles, or has had the driveshaft or driveshaft flexible coupling replaced within the last 30,000 miles, no interim repair is required until the vehicle or replaced flexible coupling reaches 30,000 miles.

What will Ford and your dealer do?
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Once a permanent repair becomes available, Ford Motor Company will notify you again via mail to schedule a service appointment with your dealer for repairs to be completed free of charge (parts and labor).

A permanent repair for this safety recall is anticipated to be available early 2018.

How long will it take?

The time needed for this repair is less than one-half day. However, due to service scheduling requirements, your dealer may need your vehicle for a longer period of time.

What should you do?

If your vehicle experiences any abnormal driveline noise or vibration, seek service immediately.

If your vehicle has over 30,000 miles, or it has been over 30,000 miles since the driveshaft flexible coupling was replaced, please call your dealer without delay and request an interim service repair date for Recall 17S15. Provide the dealer with your VIN, which is printed near your name at the beginning of this letter.

If you do not already have a servicing dealer, you can access www.Fordowner.com for dealer addresses, maps, and driving instructions.

Ford Motor Company wants you to have this safety recall completed on your vehicle. The vehicle owner is responsible for making arrangements to have the work completed. Ford Motor Company can deny coverage for any vehicle damage that may result from the failure to have this recall performed on a timely basis. Therefore, please have this recall performed as soon as possible.

Please note: Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Your vehicle may be equipped with a diagnostic feature called the Vehicle Health Report which can inform you about all available recalls, as well as other key vehicle health information. Please see <https://owner.ford.com/vehicle-health> for more information.

Have you previously paid for this repair?

If you have previously paid for a repair that addresses the issue described in this letter, you will still need to have this permanent repair be performed once parts become available.

You may be eligible for a refund of previously paid repairs. Refunds will only be provided for service related to driveshaft flexible coupling replacement. To verify eligibility and expedite reimbursement, give your paid original receipt to your dealer.

Refund requests may also be sent directly to Ford Motor Company. To request your refund from Ford, send the refund request with all required documentation, including your original repair receipt (no photocopies), to Ford Motor Company at P.O. Box 6251, Dearborn, Michigan 48121-6251. Refund requests mailed to this address may take up to 60 days to process. Your original receipt will be returned to you.

Detailed information regarding eligibility for Ford's reimbursement program and documentation requirements may be obtained by contacting the Ford Customer Relationship Center at 1-866-436-7332.

What if you no longer own this vehicle?

If you no longer own this vehicle, and have an address for the current owner, please forward this letter to the new owner.

You received this notice because government regulations require that notification be sent to the last known owner of record. Our records are based primarily on state registration and title data, which indicate that you are the current owner.

Can we assist you further?

If you have difficulties getting your vehicle repaired promptly and without charge, please contact your dealership's Service Manager for assistance.

RETAIL OWNERS: If you have questions or concerns, please contact our **Ford Customer Relationship Center at 1-866-436-7332** and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. If you wish to contact us through the Internet, our address is: www.Fordowner.com.

For the hearing impaired call 1-800-232-5952 (TDD). Representatives are available Monday through Friday: 8:00AM - 8:00PM (Eastern Time).

FLEET OWNERS: If you have questions or concerns, please contact our **Fleet Customer Information Center at 1-800-34-FLEET**, choose Option #3, and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. If you wish to contact us through the Internet, our address is: www.fleet.ford.com.

Representatives are available Monday through Friday: 8:00AM - 8:00PM (Eastern Time).

MOTORHOME OWNERS: If you have questions or concerns, please contact our **Motorhome Customer Assistance Center toll free at 1-866-906-9811**. Representatives are available 24 hours a day.

If you are still having difficulty getting your vehicle repaired in a reasonable time or without charge, you may write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. S.E., 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 www.safercar.gov. Reference NHTSA Safety Recall 17V-408.

Para asistencia en Español

Visite nuestro sitio web para ver este anuncio en Español al siguiente dirección: <https://es.owner.ford.com/recall>.

Si necesita ayuda o tiene alguna pregunta, por favor llame al Centro de Relación con Clientes al 1-866-436-7332 y presione 2 para Español.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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