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**TO:** All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Dealers

SUBJECT: NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD Safety Recall 17S16

Certain 2017 Model Year Edge, Fusion and MKZ Vehicles Equipped with 2.0L

Engine and 6F35 Transmission Torque Converter Stud Welds

**REF:** Advanced Notice - Safety Recall 17S16

Dated: July 10, 2017

#### **AFFECTED VEHICLES**

Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Dates
Edge		Oakville Hermosillo	April 25, 2017 through June 20, 2017
Fusion	2017		May 4, 2017 through June 15, 2017
MKZ			May 4, 2017 through June 19, 2017

Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

## **REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL**

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#### **SERVICE ACTION**

Before demonstrating or delivering any new in-stock vehicles involved in this recall, dealers are to replace the torque converter following the technical instructions. This service must be performed on all affected vehicles at no charge to the vehicle owner.

# **OWNER NOTIFICATION MAILING SCHEDULE**

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#### **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 Information

Attachment II: Labor Allowances and Parts Ordering Information

Attachment III: Technical Information

**Owner Notification Letter** 

# **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,

Michael A. Berardi

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#### **OASIS ACTIVATION**

OASIS was activated on July 10, 2017

# **FSA VIN LISTS ACTIVATION**

FSA VIN Lists became available through <a href="https://web.fsavinlists.dealerconnection.com">https://web.fsavinlists.dealerconnection.com</a> on July 10, 2017. Owner names and addresses will be available by September 1, 2017.

**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.

## **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.
- Dealers are to prioritize repairs of customer vehicles over repairs of new and used vehicle inventory.

#### **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.

#### **DEALER-OPERATED RENTAL VEHICLES**

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act law effective June 2016 prohibits a rental company from selling, renting or leasing vehicles subject to a safety or compliance recall. Please 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:
  - o Ford vehicles 3 years or 36,000 miles
  - Lincoln vehicles 4 years or 50,000 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**

Refunds are not approved for this program.

# **LINCOLN PICKUP AND DELIVERY**

Owners of 2017 Model Year and newer Lincoln vehicles have the option of requesting pickup and delivery service with a Lincoln loaner, from their dealership. For details, reference EFC04786 National Launch of Lincoln Pickup and Delivery New Owner Privileges.

#### **RENTAL VEHICLES (When Lincoln pickup and delivery is not used)**

Dealers are pre-approved for up to 1 day for a comparable rental vehicle. Follow Extended Service Plan (ESP) guidelines for dollar amounts. Rentals will only be reimbursed for the day(s) the vehicle is at the dealership for part replacement. Prior approval for more than 1 rental day(s) is required from the SSSC via the SSSC Web Contact Site.

## LINCOLN CLIENT SPECIAL HANDLING

To ensure the best possible experience for Lincoln owners, Lincoln Dealers are encouraged to utilize the Lincoln Loyalty Program to provide clients with surprise and delight offerings, such as:

- Fuel fill
- · Gift Card for the client's favorite restaurant

The Lincoln Loyalty Program is exclusive to Lincoln Dealers. Owners will not be notified of this service in owner mailings. Reference EFC05367, Lincoln Loyalty Program Announcement for additional details.

#### **CLAIMS PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION**

- Enter claims using Direct Warranty Entry (DWE) or One Warranty Solution (OWS).
  - o 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 17S16 is the sub code.
- Additional labor and/or parts must be claimed as related damage on a separate repair line from the FSA.
- For rental vehicle claiming, follow Extended Service Plan (ESP) guidelines for dollar amounts. Enter the total amount of the rental expense under Miscellaneous Expense code RENTAL.
- For Lincoln Client Special Handling, reference EFC05367, Lincoln Loyalty Program Announcement for Requirements and Claiming Instructions. Claims for Lincoln Loyalty should be submitted as a separate line on the same Repair Order.

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# **LABOR ALLOWANCES**

Description	Model Year	Vehicle	Labor Operation	Labor Time
	2017	Edge AWD	17S16B	7.5 Hours
		Edge FWD	17S16C	6.8 Hours
Poplace Tarque Convertor		Fusion FWD	17S16D	6.8 Hours
Replace Torque Converter		Fusion AWD	17S16E	7.9 Hours
		MKZ AWD	17S16F	7.9 Hours
		MKZ FWD	17S16G	6.8 Hours

# PARTS REQUIREMENTS / ORDERING INFORMATION

# Required Parts – ALL Vehicles

Part Number	Description	Order Quantity	Claim Quantity
DG9Z-7902-F	Torque Converter	1	1
XT-10-QLVC	Mercon LV (box of 12 quarts)	1	7
4S4Z-3N324-AA	RH Half Shaft Retainer Bracket	1	1
W520102-S442	RH Half Shaft Bracket Nut (4/pkg.)	1	2
BB5Z-4B422-C	LH Half Shaft Snap Ring Circlip	1	1
W715618-S437	Torque Converter Nut (4/pkg.)	1	4
9L8Z-1177-G	LH Shaft Seal (All)	1	1
9L8Z-7A248-F	Torque Converter Seal	1	1
W520215-S440	Tie Rod End Nut (4/pkg.)	1	2
W500545-S439	Ball Joint Pinch Bolt (4/pkg.)	1	2
W716457-S439	Subframe Bolts (4/pkg.)	1	4
BB5Z-1S177-C	(FWD only) RH Halfshaft Seal	1	1
W718250-S439	(AWD only) PTU/Trans Bolts (5/pkg.)	1	5
CV6Z-7086-A	(AWD only) PTU to Trans. Seal	1	1
9L8Z-1177-C	(AWD only) RH Intermediate Shaft Seal	1	1
CCPZ-3B477-B	(AWD only) RH Hub/Halfshaft Nut	1	1
W716841-S900	Engine To Trans. Dowel Pins (4/pkg.)	(If Required)	
FB5Z-6840-A	Oil Filter Adapter Gasket	(If Red	quired)

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# <u>Unique Parts – Edge</u>

Part Number	Description	Order Quantity	Claim Quantity
W712961-S442	Steering Shaft Coupler Bolt (4/pkg.)	1	1
W718507-S439	Trans. Supp. Insulator Bkt. Bolts (4/pkg.)	1	4
W520205-S440	Trans. Supp. Insulator Bkt. Nut (4/pkg.)	1	1
W705606-S440	Stabilizer Bar Link Lower Nut (2/pkg.)	1	2
W520214-S440	Lower Ball Joint Pinch Nut (2/pkg.)	1	2
F2GZ-4682-A	(AWD only) Driveshaft/PTU Bolts	3	3

# **Unique Parts – Fusion / MKZ**

Part Number	Description	Order Quantity	Claim Quantity
FL-910S	Engine Oil Filter	1	1
XO-5W30-QSP	5W30 Engine Oil (box of 12 quarts)	1	1
W714878-S439	Steering Shaft Coupler Bolt (4/pkg.)	1	1
W712503-S440	Stabilizer Link Lower Nuts	2	2
W520214-S442	Ball Joint Pinch Nut	2	2
W712146-S437	Trans. Fluid Cooler Tube Bolts (4/pkg.)	1	2
5L7Z-7J324-A	Cooler Tube Seal Backing Ring (2/pkg.)	1	2
5L7Z-7D285-A	Cooler Tube Seal (2/pkg.)	1	2
DG9Z-7G273-B	(AWD only) Halfshaft Washer	1	1
CV6Z-9450-D	(AWD only) Exhaust Gasket Rear	1	1
W520103-S442	(AWD only) Exhaust Flange Nut (4/pkg.)	1	2
EJ7Z-6L612-A	(AWD only) Exhaust Gasket Front	1	1
W714265-S442	(AWD only) Converter Flange Nut (4/pkg.)	1	2
5F9Z-4682-AA	(AWD only) Driveshaft/PTU Bolts	3	3

The DOR/COR number for this recall is 51088.

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.

# CERTAIN 2017 MODEL YEAR FUSION, MKZ AND EDGE VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH A 2.0L ENGINE — TORQUE CONVERTER REPLACEMENT

#### **OVERVIEW**

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#### SERVICE PROCEDURE

#### **Recommended Tool List:**

General Tools	General Equipment	
1/4", 3/8" and 1/2" Drive Ratchets, and Torque Wrenches	Copper Hammer	
1/4", 3/8" Drive Air Ratchets and 1/2" Drive Air Impact Wrench	Punch	
1/4" Drive Extensions - 2" and 4"	Magnetic Socket	
3/8" Drive Extensions - 2", 4", 6" and 12"	Transmission Jack	
1/2" Drive Extension - 4"	Two Leg Puller	
Wrenches - 10 mm, 13 mm, 15 mm, 18 mm, 21 mm	Tie Rod End Remover	
Torx and Hex bits - T25, T40, T45, T50 Torx and M10	Steering Wheel Holder	
1/4" Drive Deep Sockets - 5.5 mm, 7 mm, 8 mm, 10 mm, 11 mm, 13 mm, 15 mm	Wooden Block	
1/4" Drive Swivel Sockets - 7 mm, 10 mm		
3/8" Drive Short Sockets - 10 mm, 13 mm, 18 mm	Hose Clamp Remover/Installer	
3/8"" Drive Deep Sockets - 8 mm, 10 mm, 13 mm, 15 mm, 17 mm, 18 mm"		
1/2" Drive Deep Sockets - 15 mm, 18 mm, 19 mm, 21 mm, 32 mm	Paint Marker	
10mm, 17mm, 18mm Torque Adapters	Mechanics Wire	
Additional tools - Channel Lock Pliers, Soft Trim Removal Tool, Oil Filter Wrench or Pliers, 42" Prybar		

#### **Recommended Tool List (Continued):**

Special Tools			
100-001 (T50T-100-A) Slide Hammer	303-050 (T70P-6000) Lifting Bracket, Engine		
205-241 (T86P-3514-A) Remover, Halfshaft	303-F070 (Edge) Support Bar, Engine		
205-290 (T89P-3415-B) Remover, Halfshaft (Plate)	303-F072 (Fusion/MKZ) Support Bar, Engine		
303-290-05A Adapter for 303-290A	204-161 (T97P-1175-A) Installer, Halfshaft		
303-290B-19, Adapter for 303-290B	205-D070 (D93P-1175-B) Remover, Front Wheel Hub		
307-566 Retainer, Torque Converter	205-907 (AWD) Handle, 32 Driver		
307-569 Disconnect Tool TOC Line (1/2)	307-582A (AWD) Cover Axle Seal Installer		
300-OTC1585AE Powertrain Lift	307-091 Handle, Torque Converter		
205-153 (T80T-4000-W) Handle	307-627 Installer, Torque Converter Hub Seal		
307-626 Installer, Differential Seal	307-718 Installer, Axle Seal		

**NOTE:** It is not necessary to completely remove the rear driveshaft on vehicles equipped with All Wheel Drive (AWD). Separate the rear driveshaft from the PTU, and support as needed.

**NOTE:** It is not necessary to remove the transmission fluid auxiliary pump on vehicles equipped with the Automatic Start / Stop feature.

**NOTE:** It is not necessary to remove the Heated Oxygen Sensor (HO2S) or catalyst monitor sensor when performing this procedure.

NOTE: For AWD vehicles, it is not necessary to drain the PTU when performing this procedure.

- 1. Remove the transmission. Please follow the WSM Procedures in Section 307-01A.
  - The transmission fluid must be drained while performing this procedure.
  - MKZ vehicles only it is not necessary to remove and discard the transmission support insulator studs in Step 33 of the WSM transmission removal procedure. Instead, confirm the studs are torqued to 19 lb-ft (25.5 Nm). If the studs are torqued properly they can be re-used as-is. If a stud is found to be loose, remove and clean that stud, then reapply loctite 243 and reinstall the stud to 22 lb-ft (30 Nm).

**NOTE:** Disassembly of the transmission is not required for torque converter and hub seal replacement.

- 2. Replace the torque converter and torque converter hub seal. Please follow the WSM procedures in Section 307-01A (Overhaul Section).
  - Ensure that the transmission bell housing is clean after replacing the torque converter and seal to prevent transmission fluid leak concerns, after the repair is completed.
- 3. Install the transmission. Please follow the WSM procedures in Section 307-01A.
  - Check and top off the transmission fluid following WSM procedure.