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

# SUBJECT: NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD – Advance Notice - Safety Recall 18S25

Certain 2018 Edge and MKX, and 2019 Flex and MKT Vehicles Generator and Starter Motor Cable Nuts

#### AFFECTED VEHICLES

| Vehicle | Model Year | Assembly Plant | Build Date   |
|---------|------------|----------------|--------------|
| Edge    | 2018       | Oakville       | May 29, 2018 |
| МКХ     |            |                |              |
| Flex    | 2019       |                |              |
| MKT     |            |                |              |

Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

## **REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL**

In some of the affected vehicles, the generator and starter motor cable nuts may be cross-threaded or may not be fully tightened. An improperly fastened generator or starter motor cable nut increases the potential for electrical arcing, which could lead to a fire. The customer may experience a warning message in the instrument cluster or a vehicle no-start condition.

#### SERVICE ACTION

DO NOT DEMONSTRATE OR DELIVER any new in-stock vehicles involved in this safety recall. A complete Dealer Bulletin will be provided to dealers the week of August 27, 2018 when it is anticipated that parts ordering information and repair instructions will be available to support this safety recall.

IMPORTANT: Dealers should open a Repair Order (RO) only when a full dealer bulletin is published. Opening an RO against an Awareness or Advance Notice will result in warranty rejections against a recall.

#### **CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION**

Owners of record will be notified via first-class mail after repair instructions and parts ordering information have been provided to dealers.

#### 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 prior to delivery.

## **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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