OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 21V-260

**Manufacturer Name:** Kia Motors America

NHTSA Recall No.: 21V-260
Manufacturer Recall No.: SC210



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Kia Motors America

Address: 111 Peters Canyon Road

Irvine CA 92606

Company phone: 800-333-4542

# **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: 4,069 Estimated percentage with defect: 4 %

### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2017-2018 Kia Forte Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : ALL Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: Certain 2017-2018 model year Kia Forte vehicles manufactured at the Kia Mexico

plant from June 5, 2017 through July 24, 2017 equipped with 2.0L Nu MPI engines.

The recall population was determined by a review of supplier and Kia vehicle production records. The vehicles subject to this recall were not produced in VIN order. Customers seeking information about their specific vehicle will be referred to

Kia's Consumer Assistance Center or their Kia dealer.

Production Dates: JUN 05, 2017 - JUL 24, 2017

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End : NR Not sequential

### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: The engine oil pump contains a variable relief plunger that controls oil

pressure. Over time, normally occurring foreign particles that are not captured by the oil filter can become stuck in the plunger due to a sharp edge on the plunger, resulting in reduced oil pressure and engine lubrication. If this condition occurs, abnormal engine noise and illumination of the Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL) and/or oil pressure warning lamp can occur. If the vehicle is continually operated with this condition, the engine can be damaged

and loss of motive power may occur, increasing the risk of a crash.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: Loss of motive power increases the risk of crash

Description of the Cause: Foreign particles getting stuck in the oil pump variable relief plunger.

Identification of Any Warning Abnormal engine noise, illumination of the Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL)

that can Occur: and/or oil pressure warning lamp

# **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1 : Oil Pump
Component Description : Oil Pump
Component Part Number : 21350-2E740

## **Supplier Identification:**

# **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Myunghwa

Address: Doosan-ro 55, Geumcheon-gu

Seoul Foreign States
Country: Korea, Republic of

## **Chronology:**

See attached document titled "2017-2018MY Forte Engine Oil Pump Chronology"

#### **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: All owners of the subject vehicles will be notified by first class mail with

instructions to bring their vehicles to a Kia dealer to have their oil pan replaced with a new one containing two magnets to capture any foreign particles in the oil pan. Kia will reimburse owners for repair expenses already incurred pursuant to Kia's General Reimbursement Plan filed May

11, 2020.

How Remedy Component Differs N/A from Recalled Component :

Identify How/When Recall Condition The oil pump variable relief plunger shape was changed to prevent foreign was Corrected in Production: particles from becoming stuck. This change was incorporated into engines produced as of 6/14/2017 and corresponds to Forte vehicles produced beginning 7/25/2017.

### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: The Dealer Notification is scheduled for June 4, 2021 and the Owner

Notification is scheduled for June 11, 2021.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: JUN 04, 2021 - JUN 04, 2021 Planned Owner Notification Date: JUN 11, 2021 - JUN 11, 2021

\* NR - Not Reported