



December 19, 2022

## **ATTENTION: ALL DEALER PRINCIPALS**

Kia America, Inc., pursuant to the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, is conducting a Safety Recall Campaign on the 2008-2009 MY Sportage vehicles manufactured from August 9, 2007 to May 13, 2009 that were previously recalled under 16V815 (SC138). This is a new recall in addition to the previously launched 16V815 (SC138).

An engine compartment fire originating from the area of the Hydraulic Electronic Control Unit (HECU) may occur while the vehicle is being driven or while parked following replacement of the HECU connector cover under 16V815 (SC138). A fire increases the risk of injury. Customers may experience illumination of ABS warning light, burning/melting smell, and/or smoke from engine compartment.

Dealers will inspect the HECU and its wiring harness and connectors for proper functionality and condition. If necessary, dealers will replace the HECU with a new one. In addition, dealers will replace the fuses for the HECU circuits with different capacities to mitigate the fire risk. Kia recommends that vehicle owners park their vehicles outdoors and away from other vehicles or structures until the recall repair has been performed.

Your Service Manager was sent a copy of the owner notification letter and a Q&A guide for recall questions both of which describe the issue and information on how to access the list of affected vehicles. Kia will start mailing notices to the affected vehicle owners beginning on **December 22, 2022**

### **What Should You Do?**

Please make personnel in your dealership familiar with the details of this Safety Recall Campaign so they may properly address recall related issues and promptly respond to customer inquiries and requests.

**NHTSA ADVISORY: It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect is remedied.**

**LEGAL PRIVACY LIABILITY NOTICE:** Pursuant to the terms of the Dealer Sales and Service Agreement and the Gramm-Leach-Bliley federal consumer privacy act, you are required to keep confidential any and all information and documents provided to you by Kia America, Inc. or generated by you in the conduct of carrying out work under that Agreement regarding Kia vehicle purchasers and owners, including but not limited to warranty claim information. Kia dealers may use such owner information for the sole purpose of conducting and performing this safety recall campaign, and for no other purpose.

If you have any questions, please contact your Kia District Parts & Service Manager.

Sincerely,

Kia Service Department

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