

December 11, 2017

## Attention: All Dealer Principals

Kia Motors America, Inc., pursuant to the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, is conducting a Safety Recall Campaign on certain 2018 MY Sorento vehicles produced from September 5, 2017 through November 29, 2017. The inflator in the side curtain airbag is equipped with a top hat diffuser. Some diffusers were formed improperly during the manufacturing process. In the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the side curtain airbag, the diffuser may detach and could possibly enter the vehicle occupant compartment increasing the risk of injury to vehicle occupants.

Dealers are to replace both driver and passenger side curtain airbags with improved ones and should provide the customer with alternate transportation if requested to minimize inconvenience.

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 2018 MY Sorento vehicles.

Kia will notify the vehicle owners on December 13, 2017.

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.

## What Should You Do

Please make certain the appropriate personnel in your dealership are familiar with the details of this recall campaign to ensure proper responses to customer inquiries and requests to have the campaign performed on their 2018 MY Sorento vehicles.

**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 Motors 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.

Your prompt attention in completing this recall campaign is appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact your Kia District Parts & Service Manager.

Sincerely,

Neem Van der Reest Quality Analysis Manager

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