Dear Valued Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Federal-Mogul Corporation has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Federal-Mogul front wheel hub assemblies, 515072 and 515073, manufactured for 2002 – 2008 Dodge Ram 1500 Pickups. Therefore, Federal-Mogul is recalling these specific hub assemblies manufactured by our supplier. Federal Mogul will replace these parts without charge.

Federal-Mogul records indicate that you have purchased one or more of these part numbers during the identified time period.

1. Identification of equipment affected:

Federal-Mogul packaged and sold the recalled hub assemblies between July 8, 2009 and April 27, 2010 under the brand names National®, CARQUEST® Premium (BGS/Blue) and Precision™. These hub assemblies are limited to two base part numbers. The specific part numbers being recalled, affected date codes, and vehicle application information are listed in Attachment A.

2. Description of possible malfunction and safety evaluation:

The inboard roll form used to maintain the hub assembly can fatigue resulting in noise and/or wheel separation on two wheel drive (“2WD”) applications. If this warning is not heeded, a vehicle crash could occur. The risk of these issues do not occur on four wheel drive (“4WD”) applications, and installations on 4WD applications are, therefore, not part of this recall.

3. Vehicle owner precautions:

The subject hub assemblies were manufactured for aftermarket use. Owners of these parts should have them removed and replaced as soon as possible.

4. Owner remedy measures:

Federal-Mogul wishes to recover as many of these parts as possible. Therefore, we respectfully request that you quarantine and return the subject part numbers according to Attachment A. Recalled hub assemblies from your customers also should be returned to Federal-Mogul. For reference, we have included a complete list of these recalled part numbers and our sales records which reflect the parts’ sales to you.

For return of unused recalled hub assemblies, please complete the attached Recall RGA Request Form and fax to 1-800-882-2713. A return goods authorization (RGA) and shipping instructions will be sent back to you in a timely manner. The return package should be clearly marked with “reference hub assembly recall”.

The return of the part(s) will be at no cost to you. Upon return of the part(s), your account will be credited for the part(s). For replacement of recalled product, you will need to order the appropriate stock number from Federal-Mogul customer service.

* CARQUEST is a registered trademark of CARQUEST Corporation.
Parts stores who purchased these items should return them to their servicing warehouse distributor for credit.

If the part is suspected to have been installed on a vehicle, Federal-Mogul will pay for inspection and, if the part is covered by the recall, replacement of the defective part(s), as well as shipping charges. In order to qualify for inspection reimbursement, an inspection reimbursement form must be written-up and submitted to Federal-Mogul. For reimbursement of inspection and replacement of same recalled part(s), the recalled part(s) must be written-up and routed through Federal-Mogul’s normal labor claim procedure. For return of installed parts, the labor claim form, complete with an RGA number and appropriate receipts must accompany all defective returns removed from the vehicles. The reason for return on the labor claim form should include “reference hub assembly recall”.

Federal-Mogul will reimburse a maximum of $20 for the labor cost of inspection of the suspect part(s). Labor reimbursement of up to $40 will be reimbursed for inspection and replacement of same recalled part(s). Reimbursement will be paid for inspection only or labor claim and product replacement – not both. For assistance on inspection or replacement reimbursement, contact your local Federal-Mogul Sales Representative.

5. Violation of federal law to sell equipment covered by this recall:

No recalled hub assemblies currently in your inventory may be sold as it is a violation of federal law for a dealer to sell a recalled item of motor vehicle equipment.

6. Owner complaint process:

The owner of a vehicle with a recalled hub assembly may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to http://www.safercar.gov, if the owner believes that Federal-Mogul has failed or is unable to remedy without charge the condition outlined above within a reasonable time.

Please review the above information and contact your Federal-Mogul sales representative or call 1-877-489-6659 with any questions. Although this recall will be continuing, please process returns of product in your inventory by October 31st.

Our commitment to product quality is at the forefront of all we do at Federal-Mogul. Our dedication to manufacturing mastery is supported by all within the organization.

Federal-Mogul apologizes for any inconvenience. We know, however, that you share our concern for vehicle safety. We appreciate your immediate response to this matter.

Sincerely,

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