

2011-2012 MY SPORTAGE ENGINE OIL PAN LEAK RECALL

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Model(s): 2011-2012 Kia Sportage

Vehicle Population: Approximately 32, 296

Component(s): Engine Oil Pan

Summary: Kia Motors America (KMA) is voluntarily recalling certain 2011-2012 Sportage vehicles equipped with 2.4L engines supplied by HMC Ulsan plant, produced from June 11, 2010 to February 13, 2012. The oil pan may have been improperly sealed during engine production. As a result, engine oil may leak from the oil pan. If the vehicle is driven with an unrepaired oil leak, damage to the engine can occur and the vehicle could stall while in motion. An engine stall at higher speeds can increase the risk of a crash and, in limited cases, a fire can occur. A vehicle fire increases the risk of injury. KMA is not aware of any accidents or injuries as a result of this issue.

Warning signs of a possible oil leak include: (a) Existence of oil on ground surfaces after vehicle is parked; (b) Existence of oil on underbody surfaces; (c) Illumination of the "Check Engine" and/or oil pressure warning lamps; (d) Smell and/or smoke associated with oil on hot surfaces; and/or (e) Reduced power and/or hesitation.

KMA Action: KMA is currently waiting for HMC's analysis and identification of the applicable remedy for this issue. Once the remedy has been established, all owners of the subject vehicles will be notified via first-class mail with instructions. Customers with questions may contact KMA consumer assistance at 1-800-333-4542 or their Kia dealer.