

# VOLKSWAGEN

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Attention: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)  
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MAY 13, 2009 DATE

Subject: **Notification of Recall**  
2006 – 2009 MY Volkswagen Jetta (5<sup>th</sup> Generation) Equipped with DSG® Transmission  
Inspect and, if Necessary, Replace Driveshaft Screws

Dear Mr. Smith:

This information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (49 CFR 573 (2009)).

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573.6 (c) (1) **Manufacturer's Name**  
Volkswagen de Mexico, S.A. de C.V.

**Importer**  
Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (VWGoA)

573.6 (c) (2) **Identification of Vehicles**

Make : Volkswagen  
Line : Jetta (5<sup>th</sup> Generation)  
Model Years : 2006 - 2009  
Month/Year  
of Manufacture : June 15, 2005 through November 29, 2008

VIN Numbers :  
of Affected Vehicles 3VW\_\_ \_1K\_6M\_618033 - 3VW\_\_ \_1K\_9M\_304337

Other Identification : Jetta (5<sup>th</sup> Generation) equipped with 2.0l TFSI engine  
(147 kW) and DSG® transmission

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- 573.6 (c) (3) **Number of Vehicles Potentially Containing the Defect**  
Approximately 25,594 vehicles are affected by this recall in the United States.
- 573.6 (c) (4) **Percentage of Vehicles Actually Containing Defect**  
VWGoA is unable to estimate the percentage of vehicles that are subject to the defect.
- 573.6 (c) (5) **Description of Defect**  
Fastening screw contact surfaces on the driveshaft cover plate may not have been manufactured to factory specifications. Because of this, some screws may not have been torqued properly during assembly and could loosen over time, causing a knocking sound when the vehicle is in motion. In rare cases, the driveshaft screws could loosen to the point where the driveshaft detaches from the gearbox. If the vehicle is moving when this happens, the detached driveshaft could cause damage the gearbox housing. A damaged gearbox housing could leak gearbox oil onto the street and create a risk of vehicle crash for both the driver and other motorists.
- 573.6 (c) (6) **Basis for Determination**  
In cooperation with the Japanese ministry MLIT, Volkswagen AG decided to conduct a safety recall in Japan with formal notification on May 13, 2009.  
  
On May 8, 2009, Volkswagen AG determined that the same condition may exist in vehicles produced for sale in the United States.
- 573.6 (c) (7) **Noncompliance Test Result**  
Not applicable
- 573.6 (c) (8) **Proposed Remedial Program**  
Volkswagen will inspect the driveshaft screws on the affected vehicles and replace the screws if necessary.  
  
**Dealers:** on or about June 17, 2009  
**Owners:** on or about June 19, 2009
- 573.6 (c) (9) **Submission of Communications**  
A representative copy of all bulletins and other communications sent to dealers and owners will be submitted within five (5) days of dealer/owner notification.
- 573.6 (c) (10) **Proposed Owner Letter**  
A draft owner's letter will be submitted to the agency for review and approval.
- 573.6 (c) (11) **Manufacturer's Recall Code**  
VWGoA has assigned the code 40J2/S4 for this recall.

Sincerely,

*for*  *Jason Gandy*  
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General Manager-Compliance/TREAD  
Service & Quality