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**NEW YORK NY 10022**

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**IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL - NHTSA Recall No. 13E-062–Econix DPF Filters**

Dear Econix DPF Filter Owner,

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

**What is the reason for this notice?**

SK Innovation Co., Ltd. (“SK”) has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in all Econix DPF-A filters which were sold in the United States between 2009 and 2011 (“Econix DPF Filters”). In addition, the California Air Resources Board has determined that your vehicle’s Econix DPF Filter has a defect related to emissions control regulations that requires corrective action. Our records indicate that you are the owner or lessee of an affected vehicle.

**What is the problem?**

The Owner’s Manual for the Econix DPF Filters did not make clear that annual replacement of the expendable parts (nozzle and igniter) is required. SK has determined that the lack of maintenance and operation of the Econix DPF Filter may lead to partial filter melting and/or failure of the product. Specifically, the failure to annually replace these parts may lead to their usage far beyond the service capabilities and may result in repetition of inadequate regenerations, which will increase the amount of particulate matter (PM) left in the metal filter. Once un-regenerated PM reaches a critical amount, the next regeneration of the Econix DPF Filter can result in a thermal event, which may damage the metal in the filter and create a risk of partial filter melting, possibly presenting a fire hazard.

Further, the California Air Resources Board has determined the Econix DPF Filters contain an air emissions control component that is inconsistent with the information provided during the verification process. This effectively means that the Air Resources Board’s verification of the Econix DPF Filters is no longer valid. Therefore the continued use of the Econix DPF Filters is not compliant with California Air Resources Board requirements.

**The Recall And Reimbursement Program.**

SK will remedy the defect in the Econix DPF Filters by reimbursing you, up to your original purchase price (including tax and installation), for a replacement DPF Filter. You are encouraged to contact a participating DPF filter dealer (list enclosed) for help in selecting a suitable replacement filter and scheduling the replacement. A list of available replacement filters can be found at: [www.arb.ca.gov/diesel/verdev/vt/cvt.htm](http://www.arb.ca.gov/diesel/verdev/vt/cvt.htm). If the replacement filter you wish to purchase is not offered by one of the listed dealers, you should contact SK at the number listed below to make alternative arrangements. Once the replacement is completed, you should present proof of your original purchase price to the dealer. Once SK receives this together with proof of purchase and installation of a replacement filter, payment for the removal and replacement of the Econix DPF Filter (not to exceed your original purchase price including tax and installation cost) will be sent to the dealer on your behalf. You will be responsible for any amount owed to the dealer above this amount.

If you do not purchase a replacement filter by June 30, 2014, you must take your vehicle to a listed dealer, who will remove the existing Econix DPF Filter and restore your vehicle to its original engine manufacturer’s configuration at no cost to you. Please note that the original engine

manufacturer's configuration is not likely to be compliant with California Air Resources Board requirements. These vehicles may be in violation of applicable California laws.

If you have already repaired or replaced your Econix DPF Filter due to damage resulting from a thermal event, you may be eligible to be compensated for the costs incurred by you up to but not exceeding the original purchase price you paid for your Econix DPF Filter. To receive this compensation you should submit to SK at the below address proof of your original purchase price together with proof of the amount you paid for the repairs or replacement filter.

**Consequence of not replacing your Econix DPF Filter.**

Failure to complete this recall process may result in DMV registration holds for California registered vehicles. After completing this recall replacement procedure, your dealer will give you a Vehicle Emissions Recall – Proof of Compliance certificate. Keep this certificate for your records as proof that the emissions recall procedure was completed.

**Who you should contact for help.**

If you have any questions about this recall program, you may submit your concerns to the following address:

Econix DPF Filter Recall Program  
c/o SK USA, Inc.  
Attn: Mr. Barry Day  
55 East 59th Street, 11th Floor  
New York, NY 10022  
Tel: 212-583-2434  
Email: barry.day@skusa.com

**Lessor Information.**

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within 10 days.

**What to do if you feel this notice is in error.**

This notice was mailed to you according to the most current information that we have available. If you no longer own or lease the vehicle using this Econix DPF Filter or some other information in this notice is incorrect, please complete and return the prepaid Change Card included with this notice (this will help us update our records).

If after having attempted to take advantage of this recall you believe you have not been able to have your Econix DPF Filter replaced without charge and within a reasonable amount of time, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Washington, D.C., 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you. Thank you for your purchase of the Econix DPF Filter and your cooperation.

Sincerely

SK Innovation Co., Ltd.

**PARTICIPATING DEALERS - NHTSA Recall No. 13E-062–Econix DPF Filters**

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