

Products Liability Law Daily Wrap Up, NHTSA NEWS—MOTOR VEHICLES—Ford recalls vehicles for update of power window operating system software, (Sept. 20, 2016)

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Ford Motor Company has recalled around 17,985 model year 2017 Ford Escape Titanium and SE vehicles manufactured from October 5, 2015, to May 12, 2016, because the settings for the closing force of the power-operated windows may allow the windows to close on an object, such as a body part, and injure it before the windows auto-reverse. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 118, "Power-Operated Window Systems." The company warns that if a window closes on a body part, it can increase the risk of injury (*NHTSA Recall Notice*, No. 16V617, Report receipt date: August 24, 2016).

Remedy. Ford has notified owners, and dealers will update the power window operating system software, free of charge. The recall began on September 8, 2016.

Contact information. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 16C12. Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

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