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Nicole R. Nason Administrator National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE W42-308 Washington, DC 20590

Attention: VIN Coordinator

Dear Ms. Nason:

Subject: 2008 Model Year Econoline Vehicle Identification Number Notification

Ford Motor Company has determined that the character in the 4<sup>th</sup> position of the vehicle identification number (VIN) for eleven special order 2008 model year Econoline, E-450 vehicles is not consistent with the 2008 VIN report submitted by Ford Motor Company pursuant to Part 565.6 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Specifically, the vehicles were built with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of 14, 500 Lbs. The 4<sup>th</sup> VIN position on these vehicles was inadvertently classified as a "W" (10,001 – 14,000 Lbs). The correct classification for the vehicles should be "X" (14,001 – 16,000 Lbs). The coding error was corrected and only these eleven vehicles were manufactured with the incorrect 4th position coding. Attached are the affected vehicle VIN numbers.

This letter is to inform the agency of these conditions and Ford actions that have been implemented. If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

James P. Vondale

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## VIN list Attachement

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