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<MONTH YEAR>

<CUSTOMER NAME> <CUSTOMER ADDRESS> <CUSTOMER CITY STATE ZIPCODE>

Vehicle Identification Number (VIN): <VIN>

# Subject: Safety Recall 97V3/U9 – Converter Box Wiring 2011 Model Year Volkswagen Jetta (6<sup>th</sup> Generation)

Dear Volkswagen Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Volkswagen has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in some 2011 model year Volkswagen Jetta (6<sup>th</sup> Generation) vehicles. Our records show that you are the owner of one of these vehicles.

# What Is The Problem?

The affected vehicles have an electrical wiring and fuse layout where the converter box is protected by the same fuse used by the signal horn and the anti-theft alarm system. If the fuse is blown (e.g. in case of an electrical short in the horn), the converter box is disconnected from the power supply which, in turn, shuts off applications such as the engine management system, lighting system, and wipers. Should this happen while the vehicle is being driven, the engine could stall, or the headlights or wipers could turn off unexpectedly, potentially leading to a crash without warning.

#### What Will Volkswagen Do?

In order to correct this defect, dealers will separate the wiring for the horn and the theft protection horn from the power supply of the converter box and route the wires to separate fuses to correct this condition free of charge.

# What We Would Like You to Do

Please contact your authorized Volkswagen dealer and arrange for an appointment to have your vehicle repaired without delay.

The repair will take about an hour and will be performed for you free of charge. Please keep in mind that your dealer may need additional time for the preparation of the repair, as well as to accommodate their daily workshop schedule.

### **Lease Vehicles**

If you are the lessor and registered owner of the vehicle identified in this action, the law requires you to forward this information immediately via first-class mail to the lessee within ten (10) days of receipt of this notification.

# Have You Changed Your Address Or Sold The Vehicle?

If you have, please fill out the enclosed prepaid Owner Reply card and mail it to us so we can update our records.

### **Reimbursement of Expenses**

If you have previously paid for repairs relating to the condition described in this letter, the enclosed form explains how to request reimbursement. We would be pleased to review your reimbursement request.

### Service Help from Us

If your authorized Volkswagen dealer fails or is unable to complete this work free of charge within a reasonable time, please call or write to:

### Volkswagen of America, Inc. Attn: Customer CARE Center – Hills East (97V3/U9) 3499 West Hamlin Road Rochester Hills, MI 48309 1-800-893-5298

If you still cannot obtain satisfaction, you may file a complaint with: The Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 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 also invite you to visit our website at <u>www.vw.com</u>, where you can check to see if this or any other action may be open on your vehicle.

We apologize for any inconvenience this matter may cause; however we are taking this action to help ensure your safety and continued satisfaction with your vehicle. Thank you for driving a Volkswagen!

Sincerely,

Volkswagen Product Compliance