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SUBJECT: The 2004 Model Year EPA/DOE Fuel Economy Guide

Dear Automobile Dealer:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Department of Energy (DOE) want to inform you about a change for making the Fuel Economy Guide available at your dealership.

EPA regulations require automobile dealers to prominently display the booklets of the EPA/DOE Fuel Economy Guide at each location where new automobiles are offered for sale and to make them available to the public at no charge (40 CFR 600.405-77). The regulations ensure that prospective customers have ready access to fuel economy information for current model year vehicles. To aid dealers in meeting these requirements, in the past we have provided you with a few paper copies of the guide. The proven success of the www.fueleconomy.gov website in reaching many customers, the nationwide trend to electronic distribution of information, and the rising costs of publishing and mailing the guide have led us to change our methods for distributing the annual Fuel Economy Guide to dealers.

Beginning with this 2004 model year, we will **electronically distribute the Fuel Economy Guide to dealers**, instead of mailing paper copies. To meet your regulatory obligations to display a booklet and to provide a booklet to customers upon request, you must print the guide from either the electronic file which we will be sending you via email or which you have downloaded via the government's fuel economy website at www.fueleconomy.gov. If you do not have access to the internet or are not able to download copies of the guide, you may also order a printed paper guide. The fastest way to place an order and receive your paper guide is to access www.afdc.doe.gov/feg-reorder. You may also request printed copies from Alternative Fuels Data Center by calling 1-800-423-1363 between the hours of 9:00 am and 6:00 pm eastern time.

To ensure that you will receive a new model year Fuel Economy Guide via email in the future, please provide us your email address by accessing the website www.fueleconomy.gov/feg/dealers.shtml and following the instructions given there.

We thank you for your cooperation and assistance in helping us to implement this new way to provide the car-buying public with the fuel economy information.

Sincerely,

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