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ENGINE CAUTION FOR NEW VEHICLE STORAGE

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APPLICABLE MODEL(S)/VINS

2008-2010 MX-5

2008-2010 RX-8

2008-2010 Mazda3

2008-2010 Mazda5

2008-2010 Mazda6

2008-2010 CX-7

2008-2010 CX-9

2008-2010 Tribute

2008-2010 Tribute Hybrid

2008-2009 B-Series

CAUTION

Take caution when starting new vehicles in inventory. Engine damage can occur if engine is not started properly. Engine oil on friction components such as the cylinder bore, piston rings, crank and camshaft journals, etc., may thin or dry out completely during long-term storage. As a result, it may take some time before oil from oil pump reaches all friction components. The following procedures must be used during Pre Delivery Inspections and long-term storage of new vehicles in inventory.

MAINTENANCE PROCEDURE

- 1. Operate engine and warm it up at least once every two months of storage.
- 2. Do not race the engine for the first 30 seconds after engine start up. Instead, allow engine to idle for at least 30 seconds after start up. This will allow proper lubrication of all friction components.
- 3. If battery is discharged, do not jump start engine. Charge the battery off the car. Proceed to Step 2 after charging the battery.
- 4. Keep engine speed below 3,000 rpm during driving and while parked.

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