

**2000 – 2001 Protegé  
Left Side Rear Flexible Brake Hose  
[Recall #0301B]**

Dear Mazda Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Mazda Motor Corporation has determined that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2000 and 2001 model year Mazda Protegé vehicles produced July 24, 2000 through December 22, 2000.

**What is the problem?**

In some vehicles, the left side rear flexible brake hose might be damaged by the edge of the cross member during assembly. If the vehicle is continuously used in this condition, brake fluid may leak and proper brake performance may deteriorate.

**What will Mazda do?**

Your Mazda dealer will inspect the rear brake hose. If damage is found, the rear brake hose will be replaced at **no cost to you**. This inspection and repair should take approximately one (1) hour to complete, however, it may take longer depending on the service workload at your Mazda dealership.

**What should you do?**

Please make an appointment with any authorized Mazda dealer to have your vehicle inspected and repaired as necessary. You do not need to bring this notice to the dealer, but it may assist in the check-in process.

**Where is the closest Mazda dealer?**

To locate your nearest Mazda dealer, visit our web site and try our on-line dealer locator at [www.mazdausa.com/dealers](http://www.mazdausa.com/dealers) or consult your local yellow pages.

**Moved or no longer own this vehicle?**

If you have moved or no longer own your Mazda vehicle, it is customary for the current owner of record to be responsible for completing the enclosed "Change of Address/Ownership" prepaid postcard, so that we may update our records. Your cooperation and timely response would be greatly appreciated.

If you are the lessor of a subject Mazda vehicle, we strongly encourage you to forward this recall notification to the lessee, as it is critical that the current driver of the vehicle is notified of the recall program.

**Still have questions?**

If you have any questions regarding this campaign, please contact our Customer Assistance Center at (800) 222-5500.

If Mazda or its dealers do not repair the defect free of charge and within a reasonable amount of time, you may notify the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Washington DC 20590. You may also call their toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at (888) 327- 4236.

Your safety is a priority for Mazda. We actively work to improve our products and search for solutions to improve your ownership experience. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this program may have caused you.

Sincerely,

Mazda North American Operations