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NHTSA Recalls of Interest April 7, 2014

RECALL Subject : Loss of Power Brake Assist

Report Receipt Date: APR 01, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V154000

Component(s): SERVICE BRAKES , SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

Potential Number of Units Affected: 644,354

Vehicle	MakeModel	Model Year(s)
• DODGE	DURANGO	2011-2014
• JEEP	GRAND CHEROKEE	2011-2014

Manufacturer: Chrysler Group LLC

SUMMARY:

Chrysler Group LLC (Chrysler) is recalling certain model year 2011-2014 Jeep Grand Cherokee and Dodge Durango vehicles manufactured from January 5, 2010, through September 8, 2013. The subject vehicles have a brake booster with a center shell that may corrode and allow water to get inside.

CONSEQUENCE:

The water inside could freeze and limit the braking ability of the vehicle, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Chrysler will notify owners, and dealers will add a water diverter shield to the booster after the booster has been tested to confirm it can hold an acceptable amount of vacuum pressure. If the booster inspection confirms an unacceptable loss of vacuum pressure, the booster will be replaced. Repairs will be made free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in May 2014.

RECALL Subject : Sudden Loss of Electric Power Steering

Report Receipt Date: MAR 31, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V153000

Component(s): STEERING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,340,447

Vehicle	MakeModel	Model Year(s)
• CHEVROLET	COBALT	2010
• CHEVROLET	HHR	2009-2010
• CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2004-2006,2008-2009
• CHEVROLET	MALIBU MAXX	2004-2006
• PONTIAC	G6	2005-2006,2008-2009
• SATURN	AURA	2008-2009
• SATURN	ION	2004-2007

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2004-2006 and 2008-2009 Chevrolet Malibu, 2004-2006 Malibu Maxx, 2009-2010 HHR (non-turbo), 2010 Cobalt, 2008-2009 Saturn Aura and 2004-2007 Ion, and 2005-2009 Pontiac G6. In the affected vehicles, there may be a sudden loss of electric power steering (EPS) assist that could occur at any time while driving.

CONSEQUENCE:

If power steering assist is lost, greater driver effort would be required to steer the vehicle at low speeds, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will perform one of four bulletins. Parts are not currently available. GM expects to send an interim notification around April 28, 2014. When parts are available, owners will be mailed a second letter to come in to have the applicable bulletin applied. Bulletin 14115 covers model year 2004-2007 Saturn Ion, 2009-2010 Chevrolet HHR and 2010 Chevrolet Cobalts. Dealers will replace the EPS motor. Bulletin 14116 covers model year 2004-2006 Chevrolet Malibu and Malibu Maxx, 2005-2006 Pontiac G6 and 2008-2009 Chevrolet Malibu, Pontiac G6 and Saturn Aura built from March 1, 2008, through June 27, 2008. Dealers will replace the torque sensor assembly. Bulletin 14117 covers model year 2008 Chevrolet Malibu, Pontiac G6 and Saturn Aura built from February 1, 2008, through February 28, 2008. Dealers will replace the torque sensor assembly and EPS motor controller unit. Bulletin 14118 covers model year 2008 Chevrolet Malibu, Pontiac G6 and Saturn Aura built from October 1, 2007, through January 31, 2008. Dealers will replace the EPS motor controller unit. Owners may contact Chevrolet at 1-800-630-2438, Saturn at 1-800-553-6000, and Pontiac at 1-800-620-7668. GM's number for this recall is N140115. Note: GM bulletin number 14119 will be implemented for model year 2006-2008 and early production of 2009 Chevrolet HHR (non-turbo) and model year 2003 Saturn ION to provide EPS Motor replacement for the life of the vehicle.