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NHTSA Recalls of Interest  
December 15, 2014

**RECALL Subject : Passenger Side Front Air Bag Inflator may Rupture , 1 INVESTIGATION(S)**

**Report Receipt Date:** DEC 04, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V773000

**Component(s):** AIR BAGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 46,404

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• MAZDA	B-SERIES TRUCK	2004-2005
• MAZDA	MAZDA6	2003-2006
• MAZDA	MPV	2004-2005
• MAZDA	RX-8	2004-2005

**Manufacturer:** Mazda North American Operations

**SUMMARY:**

Mazda North American Operations (Mazda) is recalling certain model year 2003-2006 Mazda6, and model year 2004-2005 RX-8, MPV, and B-series vehicles originally sold, or ever registered, in geographic locations associated with high absolute humidity. Specifically, vehicles sold, or ever registered, in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, Puerto Rico, Saipan and Guam. Upon deployment of the passenger side frontal air bag, excessive internal pressure may cause the inflator to rupture.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

In the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the passenger side frontal air bag, the inflator could rupture with metal fragments striking and potentially seriously injuring the vehicle occupants.

**REMEDY:**

Mazda will notify owners, and dealers will replace the front passenger air bag inflators, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Mazda customer

service at 1-800-222-5500. Mazda's number for this recall is 8114L. Note: This recall supersedes safety recall 14V-344 as to the front passenger air bag inflators.

**RECALL Subject : Driver Side Air Bag Inflator may Rupture , 1 INVESTIGATION(S)**

**Report Receipt Date:** JUN 20, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V351000

**Component(s):** AIR BAGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 5,394,000

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• ACURA	CL	2003
• ACURA	MDX	2003-2006
• ACURA	TL	2002-2003
• HONDA	ACCORD	2001-2007
• HONDA	CIVIC	2001-2005
• HONDA	CR-V	2002-2006
• HONDA	ELEMENT	2003-2011
• HONDA	ODYSSEY	2002-2004
• HONDA	PILOT	2003-2007
• HONDA	RIDGELINE	2006

**Manufacturer:** Honda (American Honda Motor Co.)

**SUMMARY:**

American Honda Motor Company, Inc. (Honda) is recalling certain model year 2001-2007 Accord (4-cylinder), 2001-2002 Accord (V6), 2001-2005 Civic, 2002-2006 CR-V, 2003-2011 Element, 2002-2004 Odyssey, 2003-2007 Pilot, 2006 Ridgeline, 2003-2006 Acura MDX, and 2002-2003 TL/CL vehicles. Upon deployment of the driver side frontal air bag, excessive internal pressure may cause the inflator to rupture.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

In the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the driver side frontal air bag, the inflator could rupture with metal fragments striking and potentially seriously injuring the vehicle occupants.

**REMEDY:**

Honda will notify owners, and dealers will replace the inflators in all affected vehicles, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

**RECALL Subject : Electrical Short or Loss of Power Assist Steering**

**Report Receipt Date:** OCT 27, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V673000

**Component(s):** ELECTRICAL SYSTEM , ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 272

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• JAGUAR	F-TYPE	2015
• JAGUAR	XF	2015
• JAGUAR	XJ	2015

**Manufacturer:** Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC

**SUMMARY:**

Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC (Jaguar) is recalling certain F-TYPE vehicles manufactured August 25, 2014, to September 12, 2014, 2015 XF vehicles manufactured September 3, 2014, to September 12, 2014, and 2015 XJ vehicles manufactured August 21, 2014, to September 11, 2014. In the affected vehicles, the Front End Accessory Drive (FEAD) belt, Power Assisted Steering (PAS) pump pulley and/or battery positive cable at the alternator may detach.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

If the battery positive cable loosens, an electrical short may result, increasing the risk of a fire. If the FEAD belt looses or detaches, the vehicle may lose power assisted steering, increasing the risk of a crash.

**REMEDY:**

Jaguar has notified owners, and dealers will inspect the affected engine mounted components for the proper threading and torque, correcting them as necessary, free of charge. The recall began November 10, 2014.

**RECALL Subject : Aluminum Document Holder/FMVSS 201**

**Report Receipt Date:** OCT 28, 2014  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V677000  
**Component(s):** UNKNOWN OR OTHER  
**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 100

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• MERCEDES-BENZ	SPRINTER 2500	2014

**Manufacturer:** Morgan Olson Corporation

**SUMMARY:**

Morgan Olson Corporation (Morgan Olson) is recalling certain model year 2014 Sprinter 2500 vehicles manufactured May 30, 2014, to August 1, 2014. The affected vehicles may have an aluminum document holder installed in the cab side of the load area partition that an unbelted occupant may strike in the event of a crash. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 201, "Occupant Protection in Interior Impact."

**CONSEQUENCE:**

If the vehicle is involved in a crash, an unbelted occupant may strike the document holder, increasing their risk of injury.

**REMEDY:**

Morgan Olson will notify owners, and dealers will relocate the document holder, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 2014.

**RECALL Subject : Hood Lock Upper Components**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 04, 2014  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V698000  
**Component(s):** LATCHES/LOCKS/LINKAGES  
**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 1,382

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• PORSCHE	911	2014-2015
• PORSCHE	BOXSTER	2014-2015

• PORSCHE

CAYMAN

2014-2015

**Manufacturer:** Porsche Cars North America, Inc.

**SUMMARY:**

Porsche Cars North America, Inc. (Porsche) is recalling certain model year 2014-2015 Porsche 911, Boxster, and Cayman vehicles manufactured May 7, 2014, to September 23, 2014. The front hood upper lock components were not manufactured to specification and may fail to securely latch the vehicle's hood during operation.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

A failure of the hood latching mechanism may cause the hood to suddenly open during vehicle operation and will severely impede the driver's ability to see out the front windshield, increasing the risk of a vehicle crash.

**REMEDY:**

Porsche will notify owners, and dealers will replace the lock on the front hood, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

**RECALL Subject : Improper Airbag Suppression/FMVSS 208**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 07, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V710000

**Component(s):** SEATS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 113,418

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• FORD	F-150	2014
• FORD	FLEX	2014

**Manufacturer:** Ford Motor Company

**SUMMARY:**

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain model year 2014 Ford F-150 and Flex vehicles manufactured March 1, 2014, to May 31, 2014. The affected vehicles were manufactured with a reduced clearance between the seat frame and the seat track assembly. This can cause the Occupant Classification System (OCS) to inaccurately register passenger weight and improperly suppress the passenger front airbag when the passenger seat is occupied by an adult passenger. Thus, these vehicles

fail to comply with the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) No. 208, "Occupant Crash Protection."

**CONSEQUENCE:**

Improper suppression of the passenger airbag increases the risk of an injury to the seat occupant in the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the front passenger airbag.

**REMEDY:**

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will widen the gap between the seat frame and seat track assembly and recalibrate the seat OCS, free of charge. The recall began November 25, 2014.

**RECALL Subject : Wire Harness Configuration**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 07, 2014  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V714000  
**Component(s):** ELECTRICAL SYSTEM  
**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 7,079

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• JAGUAR	F-TYPE	2014-2015

**Manufacturer:** Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC

**SUMMARY:**

Jaguar Land Rover North America LLC (Jaguar) is recalling certain model year 2014-2015 F-TYPE vehicles manufactured August 31, 2012, to October 22, 2014. In the affected vehicles the seatbelt harness connector which connects the Seatbelt Tension Sensor (STS) to the Occupant Classification Sensor Control Module (OCSCM) may not have been correctly wired. The OCSCM senses whether there is an occupant in the front passenger seating position, and the STS senses whether tension on the seatbelt indicates a child restraint is being used in the front passenger seating position. Both sensors provide information to the restraint control module (RCM) which informs whether the front passenger airbag should be activated, depending on whether the sensors detect the seat is occupied and/or that it is occupied by an adult passenger.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

Should the STS not have been wired correctly, the front passenger air bag may not be suppressed, and may remain activated, even when a child restraint is placed in the front passenger seat or a small statured adult occupies that seat. In the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the front passenger air bag, a

child or small stature occupant may be at an increased risk of injury.

**REMEDY:**

Jaguar will notify owners, and dealers will correct the harness connector wire configuration, free of charge. The recall began on December 3, 2014.

**RECALL Subject : Possible Loss of Power Steering Assist**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 10, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V719000

**Component(s):** STEERING

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 679

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2015
• CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2015
• CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2015
• GMC	SIERRA	2015
• GMC	YUKON	2015

**Manufacturer:** General Motors LLC

**SUMMARY:**

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2015 Chevrolet Silverado, Suburban, Tahoe, GMC Sierra, and Yukon XL vehicles, equipped with electric power steering (EPS). Due to a problem with the EPS module, the affected vehicles may experience a sudden loss of power steering assist during vehicle operation.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

An expected loss of power steering increases the risk of a crash.

**REMEDY:**

GM will notify owners, and dealers will replace the power steering assist motor kit, free of charge. The recall began on November 17, 2014.

**RECALL Subject : Key Removal When Not In Park/FMVSS 114**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 18, 2014  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V736000  
**Component(s):** POWER TRAIN  
**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 56,479

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• FORD	FUSION	2014-2015
• FORD	FUSION ENERGI	2015
• FORD	FUSION HYBRID	2015

**Manufacturer:** Ford Motor Company

**SUMMARY:**

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain model year 2014-2015 Ford Fusion vehicles manufactured July 27, 2013, to October 31, 2014, 2015 Ford Fusion Hybrid vehicles manufactured February 24, 2014, to October 31, 2014, and 2015 Ford Fusion Energi vehicles manufactured July 14, 2014, to October 31, 2014. In the affected vehicles, the key may be able to be removed even while the transmission is not in Park. Thus, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) No. 114, "Theft Protection and Rollaway Prevention."

**CONSEQUENCE:**

If the key can be removed despite that the transmission is not in Park, a driver may think the vehicle is safety parked, when it is not, increasing the risk of a vehicle rollaway that could cause the vehicle to strike and injure the driver, other vehicle occupants, or bystanders.

**REMEDY:**

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will repair the vehicles, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin January 5, 2015.

**RECALL Subject : Seat Belt Lap Fastener Not Torqued Properly**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 21, 2014  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V744000



**Component(s): SEAT BELTS**

**Potential Number of Units Affected: 54,779**

<b>Vehicle Make</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Model Year(s)</b>
• MITSUBISHI	OUTLANDER SPORT	2013-2015

**Manufacturer:** Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

**SUMMARY:**

Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. (Mitsubishi) is recalling certain model year 2013-2015 Outlander Sport vehicles manufactured July 20, 2012, to July 23, 2014. In the affected vehicles, the front passenger seat belt lap end attachment fastener may not be torqued to specification, and the fastener may loosen with time.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

A loosened and weakened fastener may not be capable of withstanding the load forces associated with a vehicle crash, leaving the seat occupant insufficiently restrained and increasing the risk of injury.

**REMEDY:**

Mitsubishi will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and replace the seat belt lap end attachment fastener, free of charge. The recall began on December 1, 2014.