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## NHTSA Recalls of Interest January 11, 2016

### **RECALL Subject : Passenger Air Bag Inflator May Rupture**

**Report Receipt Date:** DEC 23, 2015

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V869000

**Component(s):** AIR BAGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 374,519

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• MAZDA	MAZDA6	2003-2008
• MAZDA	MAZDASPEED6	2006-2007
• MAZDA	RX-8	2004

**Manufacturer:** Mazda North American Operations

#### **SUMMARY:**

Mazda North American Operations (Mazda) is recalling certain model year 2003-2008 Mazda6 vehicles manufactured May 29, 2002, to May 5, 2008, 2006-2007 Mazdaspeed6 vehicles manufactured July 1, 2005, to June 29, 2007, and a limited production of model year 2004 RX-8 vehicles manufactured June 25, 2003, to June 30, 2003. The inflators in the front passenger air bags are susceptible to rupture in the event of a crash necessitating the deployment of the front passenger air bag.

#### **CONSEQUENCE:**

In the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the passenger's frontal air bag, the inflator could rupture with metal fragments striking the vehicle occupants potentially resulting in serious

injury or death.

**REMEDY:**

Mazda will notify owners, and dealers will replace the passenger's frontal air bag with a new one, free of charge. Owners may contact Mazda customer service at 1-800-222-5500. Mazda's number for this recall is 9015L. Note: This recall supersedes recalls 13V-130 and 14V-362 in their entirety. This recall partially supersedes recall 14V-773 in that model year 2003-2006 Mazda6 vehicles covered by that recall are now covered by this campaign.

**RECALL Subject : ESC Malfunction may cause Loss of Control**

**Report Receipt Date:** DEC 23, 2015

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V871000

**Component(s):** ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 155,000

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• HYUNDAI	ELANTRA	2011-2012

**Manufacturer:** Hyundai Motor America

**SUMMARY:**

Hyundai Motor America (Hyundai) is recalling certain model year 2011-2012 Elantra vehicles manufactured October 29, 2010, to October 25, 2011. Due to a Mando electronic stability control (ESC) sensor malfunction, the brakes for one or more wheels may be applied unexpectedly and the engine power may be reduced. These symptoms will be accompanied by illumination of the ESC indicator lamp in the instrument cluster.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

If the one or more of the brakes are inappropriately applied, control of the vehicle may be lost, increasing the risk of a crash.

**REMEDY:**

Hyundai will notify owners, and dealers will verify the proper operation of the ESC sensors, and update the ESC system's calibration, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 19, 2016.

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

**Report Receipt Date:** DEC 16, 2015  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V845000  
**Component(s):** STEERING  
**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 28,452

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• MERCEDES BENZ	C300	2015
• MERCEDES BENZ	C400	2015

**Manufacturer:** Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

**SUMMARY:**

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) is recalling certain model year 2015 C300 and C400 4matic sedans manufactured January 27, 2014, to December 1, 2014. Due to an error in the Bosch electric power steering control unit software, the affected vehicles may have a loss of electric power steering assist.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

If the vehicle experiences a loss of power steering assist, extra steering effort will be required, especially at lower speeds, increasing the risk of a vehicle crash.

**REMEDY:**

MBUSA will notify owners, and dealers will update the power steering software, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in January 2016.