

NHTSA Recalls of Interest January 5, 2015

RECALL Subject: Tire Pressure Monitoring System/FMVSS 138

Report Receipt Date: DEC 17, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V800000

Component(s): TIRES

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,056

Vehicle Make Model Model Year(s)

• DODGE DART 2015

Manufacturer: Chrysler Group LLC

SUMMARY:

Chrysler Group LLC (Chrysler) is recalling certain model year 2015 Dodge Dart Aero vehicles manufactured August 24, 2014, to October 28, 2014. The affected vehicles were built with a premium instrument cluster and Lowline Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS). The TPMS warning light may not illuminate when low tire pressure is detected. Thus, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 138, "Tire pressure monitoring systems."

CONSEQUENCE:

A malfunctioning TPMS light will not notify an owner of an improperly inflated tire. An improperly inflated tire may experience a complete loss of tire pressure, increasing the risk of a vehicle crash.

REMEDY:

Chrysler will notify owners, and dealers will reconfigure the vehicles from a lowline TPMS to a highline TPMS, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 13, 2015.

RECALL Subject: Seat Track Bracket Rattle

Report Receipt Date: DEC 19, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V804000

Component(s): SEATS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 3,155

Vehicle Make Model Model Year(s)

CADILLAC SRX 2015

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2015 Cadillac SRX vehicles manufactured November 11, 2014, to December 3, 2014. The front driver's seat may have been built with an incorrect seat track bracket. Drivers' seats with this condition may not be properly attached to the seat track.

CONSEQUENCE:

The front outboard seat bracket may become disengaged during a vehicle crash, increasing the risk of personal injury.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and replace affected seat track hook brackets, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

RECALL Subject: Side Impact Performance/FMVSS 214

Report Receipt Date: DEC 23, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V815000

Component(s): STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 3,679

Vehicle Make Model Model Model Year(s)

• MINI COOPER 2014

Manufacturer: BMW of North America, LLC

SUMMARY:

BMW of North America, LLC (BMW) is recalling certain model year 2014 Mini Cooper Hardtop 2 door vehicles manufactured December 1, 2013, to May 14, 2014. The affected vehicles do not meet the side impact performance requirements for the rear seat passengers. Thus, these vehicles fail to comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 214, "Side impact protection."

CONSEQUENCE:

If the side impact performance requirements are not met, rear seat passengers may be at a higher risk of injury during a crash.

REMEDY:

The remedy for this recall is still under development. The recall is expected to begin February 18, 2015

RECALL Subject: Seat Belt Load Limiters

Report Receipt Date: DEC 24, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V818000

Component(s): SEAT BELTS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,378

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)	
MERCEDES BENZ	E250	2015	
 MERCEDES BENZ 	E350	2015	
 MERCEDES BENZ 	E400	2015	
 MERCEDES BENZ 	E63	2015	

Manufacturer: Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

SUMMARY:

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC. (MBUSA) is recalling certain model year 2015 E250 Diesel, E250 Blue Tec 4 Matic, E350 Sedan, E350 Sedan 4 Matic, E350 Wagon 4 Matic, E400 Sedan, E400 Sedan 4 Matic, E63 Sedan, and E63 Wagon vehicles manufactured October 8, 2014, to October 24, 2014. In the affected vehicles, the double seat belt buckle for the middle position of the rear passenger seat could fail under loading experienced in a severe frontal crash.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the middle position double seat belt buckle assembly fails under load such as in a severe frontal crash, there is an increased risk of injury to the seat occupant.

REMEDY:

MBUSA will notify owners, and dealers will replace the double seat belt buckle, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in February 2015.

RECALL Subject: Ignition Lock Actuator may Bind

Report Receipt Date: DEC 30, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V827000 Component(s): ELECTRICAL SYSTEM Potential Number of Units Affected: 83,572

	Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
•	CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2011-2012
•	CADILLAC	ESCALADE ESV	2011-2012
•	CADILLAC	ESCALADE EXT	2011-2012
•	CHEVROLET	AVALANCHE	2011-2012
•	CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2011-2012
•	CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2011-2012
•	CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2011-2012
•	GMC	SIERRA	2011-2012
•	GMC	YUKON	2011-2012
•	GMC	YUKON XL	2011-2012

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2011-2012 Cadillac Escalade, Escalade ESV, Escalade EXT, Chevrolet Avalanche, Silverado HD, Silverado LD, Suburban, Tahoe, GMC Sierra LD, Sierra HD, Yukon, and Yukon XL vehicles. In the affected vehicles, the ignition lock actuator may bind, making turning the key difficult or causing the ignition to get stuck in the "Start" position.

CONSEQUENCE:

If stuck in the "Start" position, the ignition may suddenly snap back into the "Accessory" position, causing a loss of engine, steering, and braking power, increasing the risk of a vehicle crash. If the vehicle is in a crash, the air bags may not deploy, increasing the risk of occupant injury.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and replace the ignition lock housing, as necessary, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

RECALL Subject: Headliner Plate Detachment

Report Receipt Date: DEC 29, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V822000

Component(s): STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 95,314

Vehicle Make Model Model Year(s)

• KIA SOUL 2010-2013

Manufacturer: Kia Motors America

SUMMARY:

Kia Motors America (Kia) is recalling certain model year 2010-2013 Kia Soul vehicles manufactured January 8, 2009, to October 2, 2013, equipped with a sun roof. A headliner plate may detach during deployment of the curtain air bag.

CONSEQUENCE:

A detached headliner plate may increase the risk of injury to the occupant during a vehicle crash.

REMEDY:

Kia will notify owners, and dealers will install industrial adhesive strips to secure the headliner plates, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 2, 2015.