

NHTSA Recalls of Interest July 14, 2014

RECALL Subject: Front Driver's Side Seat Belt Retractor may Fail

Report Receipt Date: JUN 12, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V318000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 28,789

Vehicle	MakeModel	Model Year(s)
SAAB	9-3	2004-2011

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2004-2011 Saab 9-3 Convertible vehicles manufactured July 30, 2003, to February 15, 2011. In the affected vehicles, the driver's side front seat belt retractor may break, causing the seat belt webbing not to retract.

CONSEQUENCE:

In the event of a crash, a seat belt that has not retracted may not properly restrain the seat occupant, increasing their risk of injury.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will replace the driver's seat belt retractor, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Saab customer service at 1-800-955-9007. GM's number for this recall is 14222. Note: Special Coverage 10086 will replace the passenger side seat belt retractor if it fails, free of charge, for the life of the vehicle

RECALL Subject: Possible Loss of Steering Assist

Report Receipt Date: JUN 12, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V325000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 2,138

Vehicle MakeModel Model Year(s)

HYUNDAI SONATA 2015

Manufacturer: Hyundai Motor Company

SUMMARY:

Hyundai Motor Company (Hyundai) is recalling certain model year 2015 Sonata vehicles manufactured May 2, 2014, through May 23, 2014. A poor connection within the vehicle's wiring harness may result in a reduction of steering assist from the vehicle's motor driven power steering system or the inability to move the vehicle's shifter from the Park position.

CONSEQUENCE:

The reduction of power steering assist can increase the steering effort needed, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Hyundai notified dealers to suspend sales of affected Sonata vehicles and has published recall bulletin 14-01-024 providing a service procedure to repair the affected vehicles. On June 7, 2014 Hyundai began to contact the affected retail customers.

RECALL Subject : Front Passenger Air Bag Inflator may Rupture

Report Receipt Date: JUL 07, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V399000

Component(s): AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8,557

Vehicle	MakeModel	Model Year(s)
 SUBARU 	BAJA	2003-2004
 SUBARU 	IMPREZA	2004
 SUBARU 	LEGACY	2003-2004
 SUBARU 	OUTBACK	2003-2004

Manufacturer: Subaru of America, Inc.

SUMMARY:

Subaru of America, Inc. (Subaru) is conducting a recall of certain model year 2003-2004 Legacy, Outback, and Baja vehicles as well as certain 2004 Impreza (including WRX/STI) vehicles, equipped with Takata-brand front passenger air bag inflators. 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:

Subaru 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.