

# NHTSA Recalls of Interest July 21, 2014

# **RECALL Subject: Air Bag may not be Properly Assembled**

Report Receipt Date: JUL 01, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V386000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 311

	Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
•	MERCEDES BENZ	SL550	2014
•	MERCEDES BENZ	SL63	2014
•	MERCEDES BENZ	SL65	2014
•	MERCEDES BENZ	SLK250	2014
•	MERCEDES BENZ	SLK350	2014
•	MERCEDES BENZ	SLK55	2014

Manufacturer: Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

## SUMMARY:

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (Mercedes-Benz) is recalling certain model year 2014 SLK 250, SLK 350, SLK 55 AMG, SL 550, SL 63 AMG, and SL 65 AMG vehicles manufactured March 19, 2014, through May 5, 2014. Due to an air bag assembly error, the front passenger air bag may not deploy properly.

#### **CONSEQUENCE:**

In the event of a crash necessitating front passenger air bag deployment, the front passenger seat airbag may not properly deploy, increasing the risk of injury to the front passenger seat occupant.

# REMEDY:

Mercedes-Benz will notify owners, and dealers will replace the front passenger air bag, free of charge. Parts for the remedy are not currently available. Mercedes-Benz will send an interim letter to owners in July 2014. A second owner letter will be

mailed when parts are available.

#### **RECALL Subject: Passenger Side Air Bag Inflator may Rupture**

Report Receipt Date: JUL 16, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V428000

Component(s): AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 573,935

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• BMW	323	2000
• BMW	3251	2001-2005
• BMW	325XI	2001-2005
• BMW	3281	2000
• BMW	3301	2001-2006
• BMW	330XI	2001-2005
• BMW	M3	2001-2006

Manufacturer: BMW of North America, LLC

#### SUMMARY:

BMW of North America, LLC (BMW) is recalling certain model year 2000 323i sedans, coupes, convertibles, and Sports Wagons; 2000 328i sedans and coupes; 2001-2005 325i sedans, coupes, convertibles, and Sport Wagons; 2001-2005 325xi sedans and Sports Wagons; 2006 325i coupes and convertibles; 2001-2006 330i sedans, coupes, and convertibles; 2001-2005 330xi sedans; and 2001-2006 M3 coupes and convertibles to address a safety defect in the passenger side frontal air bag which may produce excessive internal pressure that could cause the air bag inflator to rupture upon deployment of the air bag.

# CONSEQUENCE:

In the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the passenger's frontal air bag, excessive internal pressure could cause rupturing of the inflator resulting in metal fragments striking and potentially seriously injuring the passenger seat occupant or other occupants.

## **REMEDY:**

BMW will notify owners, and dealers will replace the passenger side frontal air bag, free of charge. An interim notice will be mailed to owners in August 2014. A second notice will be mailed when an adequate supply of parts is available, currently anticipated to be in October 2014.

RECALL Subject: Passenger Side Air Bag Inflator may Rupture

Report Receipt Date: JUL 11, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V421000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 0

 Vehicle Make
 Model
 Model Year(s)

 MITSUBISHI
 LANCER
 2004-2005

Manufacturer: Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. (MMNA) is conducting a limited regional recall for certain model year 2004 and 2005 Lancer vehicles currently registered in Florida, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and the U.S. Virgin Islands, and equipped with Takatabrand passenger side 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:**

MMNA will notify owners, and dealers will replace the passenger side air bag inflators free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule

## **RECALL Subject: Ignition Switch may Turn Off**

Report Receipt Date: JUL 02, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V394000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 554,328

	Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
•	CADILLAC CADILLAC	CTS SRX	2003-2014 2004-2006
•	OADILLAG	SICK	2004-2000

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

## **SUMMARY:**

This defect can affect the safe operation of the airbag system. Until this recall is performed, customers should remove all items from their key rings, leaving only the ignition key. The key fob (if applicable), should also be removed from the key ring. General Motors LLC (GM) notified the agency on July 2, 2014 that they are recalling 554,328 model year 2003-2014 Cadillac CTS vehicles manufactured August 16, 2001, to April 28, 2014, and 2004-2006 Cadillac SRX vehicles manufactured March 20, 2003, to August 11, 2006. In these models, the weight on the key ring and/or road conditions or some other jarring event may cause the ignition switch to move out of the run position, turning off the engine.

#### **CONSEQUENCE:**

If the key is not in the run position, the air bags may not deploy if the vehicle is involved in a crash, increasing the risk of injury.

# REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will provide two replacement key rings, and vehicles with slotted keys will receive key inserts, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.