

NHTSA Recalls of Interest June 23, 2014

RECALL Subject: Brake Pedal Load Sensing Switch Failure

Report Receipt Date: MAY 22, 2014 **NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V270000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 10,462

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
LEXUS	GS 350	2013

Manufacturer: Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing

SUMMARY:

Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing (Toyota) is recalling certain model year 2013 Lexus GS 350 vehicles manufactured June 8, 2012, through December 26, 2012. In the affected vehicles, the switch that senses the amount of pressure that the driver is applying to the brake pedal may fail.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the switch fails, the vehicle may begin braking without the driver's input, and without illuminating the brake lights, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Toyota will notify owners, and dealers will replace the brake pedal support assembly which includes the brake pedal load sensing switch, free of charge. Parts for the remedy are not currently available. Toyota will send owners an interim notification letter in late June 2014 to advise owners of the recall, and will mail owners a second letter when remedy parts are available.

RECALL Subject : Passenger Front Air Bag Inflator Failure

Report Receipt Date: JUN 06, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V298000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 61

	Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
•	BUICK	ENCORE	2013
•	CHEVROLET	SPARK	2013

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2013 Buick Encore vehicles manufactured April 10, 2013, to May 8, 2013, and Chevrolet Spark vehicles manufactured December 30, 2012, to March 1, 2013. In the affected vehicles, an improper weld on the passenger side front air bag inflator may result in the air bag not deploying.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the air bag does not to deploy in the event of a crash, there is an increased risk of injury to the front passenger.

REMEDY:

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

RECALL Subject: Electrical Short Circuit may Disable Air Bags

Report Receipt Date: JUN 06, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V299000 Component(s): AIR BAGS, SEAT BELTS Potential Number of Units Affected: 33 Vehicle Make Model Model Year(s)

• CHEVROLET CORVETTE 2014

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2014 Chevrolet Corvette vehicles manufactured April 23, 2014 to April 25, 2014. In the affected vehicles, the Sensing and Diagnostic Module (SDM) may experience an internal short circuit, resulting in the deactivation of the air bags and seat belt pretensioners.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the SDM short circuits, the air bags may not deploy and the seat belt pretensioners may not activate in the event of a crash, increasing the risk of occupant injury.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will replace the Sensing and Diagnostic Module (SDM), free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

RECALL Subject: Driver Side Frontal Air Bag May Not Deploy

Report Receipt Date: JUN 06, 2014 NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V300000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 31,520

	Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
•	BUICK	VERANO	2012
•	CHEVROLET	CAMARO	2012
•	CHEVROLET	CRUZE	2012
•	CHEVROLET	SONIC	2012

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2012 Buick Verano vehicles manufactured December 2, 2011 to July, 16, 2012, Chevrolet Cruze vehicles manufactured December 7, 2011 to July 25, 2012, Chevrolet Sonic vehicles manufactured December 5, 2011 to August 2, 2012, and Chevrolet Camaro vehicles manufactured December 1, 2011 to June 11,

2012. The driver side frontal air bag has a shorting bar which may intermittently contact the air bag terminals.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the bar and terminals are contacting each other at the time of a crash necessitating deployment of the driver's frontal air bag, that air bag will not deploy, increasing the driver's risk of injury.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will replace the steering wheel air bag coil, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Chevrolet owners may contact

GM at 1-800-222-1020. Buick owners may contact GM at 1-800-521-7300. Note: This is an expansion of recalls 12V-522 and 13V-023.

RECALL Subject: Absence of Warning Chimes/FMVSS 114, 208

Report Receipt Date: JUN 06, 2014 **NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V301000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 57,512

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• CHEVROLET	SILVERADO	2014
 CHEVROLET 	SILVERADO HD	2015
 CHEVROLET 	TAHOE	2015
• GMC	SIERRA	2014
• GMC	SIERRA HD	2015

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2014-2015 Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra, and 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe and Suburban vehicles equipped with a base radio and an internal amplifier. The radios in the affected vehicles may become inoperative, and as a result, there would be no audible chime to notify the driver if the door is opened with the key in the ignition or no audible seat belt warning indicating the seat belts were not buckled. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) numbers 114, "Theft Protection and Rollaway Prevention," and 208, "Occupant Crash Protection."

CONSEQUENCE:

Without an audible indicator, the driver may not be aware that the driver's door is open while the key is in the ignition, increasing the risk of a vehicle rollaway. Additionally, there would be no reminder that the driver's or front seat passenger's seat belt is not buckled, which could increase the risk of injury in a crash.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will update the radio software, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

RECALL Subject : Seat Belt may be Difficult to Unlatch/FMVSS 209

Report Receipt Date: MAY 13, 2014 **NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V243000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 150

	Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)	
•	PIERCE	ARROW XT	2013	
•	PIERCE	DASH CF	2013	
•	PIERCE	IMPEL	2013	
•	PIERCE	VELOCITY	2013	

Manufacturer: Pierce Manufacturing

SUMMARY:

Pierce Manufacturing (Pierce) is recalling certain model year 2013 Arrow XT, Dash CF, Impel, and Velocity vehicles manufactured October 2013 through January 2014, and equipped with IMMI-brand L9 seat belt buckles. When the button is pressed to release the seat belt, the latch plate can become partially engaged with the buckle, making the seat belt difficult to unlatch. Thus, these vehicles fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 209, "Seat Belt Assemblies."

CONSEQUENCE:

If the latch plate remains partially engaged after the button is pressed, egress from the vehicle could be hindered which would increase the risk of injury in the event of an emergency.

REMEDY:

Pierce will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and replace the seat belt buckle, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in June 2014.