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NHTSA Recalls of Interest  
May 19, 2014

## **RECALL Subject : Side-Curtain Rollover Air Bag Deployment Delay**

**Report Receipt Date:** MAY 07, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V237000

**Component(s):** AIR BAGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 594,785

| Vehicle | MakeModel | Model Year(s) |
|---------|-----------|---------------|
| • FORD  | C-MAX     | 2013-2014     |
| • FORD  | ESCAPE    | 2013-2014     |

**Manufacturer:** Ford Motor Company

### **SUMMARY:**

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain model year 2013-2014 C-MAX, and Escape vehicles. In the affected vehicles, the restraint control module (RCM) may have errors in the programming software which may result in a delayed deployment of the side-curtain rollover air bag.

### **CONSEQUENCE:**

If the side-curtain rollover air bag is delayed in deploying in certain rollover circumstances, the risk of injury to the passengers is increased.

### **REMEDY:**

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the RCM, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin May 26, 2014

**RECALL Subject : Doors may Open while Driving**

**Report Receipt Date:** MAY 07, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V239000

**Component(s):**

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 581,986

| Vehicle | MakeModel | Model Year(s) |
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| • FORD  | ESCAPE    | 2013-2014     |

**Manufacturer:** Ford Motor Company

**SUMMARY:**

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain model year 2013-2014 Escape vehicles manufactured October 5, 2011, through April 10, 2014. Due to an assembly misalignment between the exterior door handle and the door outer panel, the affected vehicles have doors that may be difficult to close or may possibly open while driving.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

A door that opens unexpectedly may result in an unrestrained occupant falling from the vehicle, increasing the risk of injury.

**REMEDY:**

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and correct the mounting of the door handles, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on May 26, 2014

**RECALL Subject : Incorrect Brake Rotors may be Installed**

**Report Receipt Date:** MAY 08, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V240000

**Component(s):** SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 8,208

| Vehicle     | MakeModel | Model Year(s) |
|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| • BUICK     | LACROSSE  | 2014          |
| • CHEVROLET | MALIBU    | 2014          |

**Manufacturer:** General Motors LLC

**SUMMARY:**

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2014 Buick Lacrosse vehicles manufactured January 29, 2014, through March 31, 2014 and 2014 Chevrolet Malibu vehicles manufactured February 7, 2014, through March 31, 2014, and equipped with 17 inch front brake rotors. The affected vehicles may have had brake rotors intended for the rear of the car accidentally installed on the front. The rear rotors, while the same diameter, are thinner and may result in a front brake pad detaching from the caliper.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

If a brake pad detaches from caliper, there may be a sudden reduction in braking, lengthening the distance required to stop the vehicle and increasing the risk of a crash.

**REMEDY:**

GM will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the front brake rotors, and install the correct rotors with new brake pads, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin around May 29, 2014

**RECALL Subject : Air Bag Assembly May Loosen in the Steering Wheel**

**Report Receipt Date:** MAY 13, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V245000

**Component(s):**

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 137,500

| Vehicle   | MakeModel | Model Year(s) |
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| • HYUNDAI | TUCSON    | 2011-2014     |

**Manufacturer:** Hyundai Motor Company

**SUMMARY:**

Hyundai Motor Company (Hyundai) is recalling certain model year 2011-2014 Hyundai Tucson vehicles manufactured January 3, 2011, through December 23, 2013. In the affected vehicles, the air bag assembly installed in the steering wheel may come loose from its mounting.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

An air bag assembly that is not properly mounted may result in an increased risk of injury to the driver in the event of a crash.

**REMEDY:**

Hyundai will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and tighten the bolts that secure the driver's air bag assembly, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin by the end of June 2014.

**RECALL Subject : Loss of Brake Vacuum Assist/FMVSS 135**

**Report Receipt Date:** MAY 14, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V247000

**Component(s):** SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 140,067

| Vehicle     | MakeModel | Model Year(s) |
|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| • CHEVROLET | MALIBU    | 2014          |

**Manufacturer:** General Motors LLC

**SUMMARY:**

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2014 Chevrolet Malibu vehicles manufactured June 12, 2013, through May 2, 2014, and equipped with a 2.5L engine with the auto stop/start option. The affected vehicles may experience a complete loss of brake vacuum assist, disabling the hydraulic boost assist. As such, these vehicles do not comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 135, "Light Vehicle Brake Systems."

**CONSEQUENCE:**

If the hydraulic boost assist is disabled, slowing or stopping the vehicle will require additional brake pedal effort and a lengthened stopping distance. Both of these effects increase the risk of a crash.

**REMEDY:**

GM will notify owners, and dealers will update the electronic brake control module software, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin around May 30, 2014.