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NHTSA Recalls of Interest

November 21, 2011

Report Date :**November 21, 2011 at 11:07 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V545000**

Vehicle Make / Model:

HME / 1871

Manufacturer: HME INCORPORATED

NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V545000

Model Year(s):

2009-2012

Mfr's Report Date: NOV 04, 2011

NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 346

Summary:

HME CORPORATION IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2009 THROUGH 2012 FIRE TRUCKS MANUFACTURED FROM JANUARY 16, 2009, THROUGH NOVEMBER 1, 2011, BUILT WITH MERITOR WABCO ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL (ESC) SYSTEM MANUFACTURED FROM SEPTEMBER 15, 2005 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1, 2011, WITH PART NUMBERS 446 065 020 0, 400 850 179 0, 400 850 195 0, 446 065 027 0, AND 400 850 185 0. UNDER CERTAIN ROAD AND DRIVING CONDITIONS, VEHICLE BODY ROLL AND ROAD INCLINATION CHARACTERISTICS MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT THE SLIP ANGLE CALCULATION OF THE ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL (ESC) SYSTEM. THIS MIGHT CAUSE THE ESC TO PERCEIVE AN OVER STEERING SITUATION AND THEREFORE APPLY THE OUTER WHEEL BRAKE ON THE FRONT AXLE UNTIL THE VEHICLE IS PERCEIVED TO BE STABLE.

Consequence:

IF THE DRIVER IS SLOW TO REACT DURING THIS ESC INTERVENTION, THE VEHICLE MAY DEVIATE FROM THE INTENDED LINE OF TRAVEL, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

HME WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REPLACE THE CONTROL MODULE FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED THE AGENCY WITH A NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT HME AT 1-616-534-1463.

Report Date :**November 21, 2011 at 11:08 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V543000**

Vehicle Make / Model:

CHEVROLET / EXPRESS

GMC / SAVANA

Manufacturer: GENERAL MOTORS LLC

NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V543000

Model Year(s):

2012

2012

Mfr's Report Date: NOV 07, 2011

NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,798

Summary:

GM IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2012 CHEVROLET EXPRESS AND GMC SAVANA VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM JUNE 2, 2011, THROUGH OCTOBER 17, 2011. THE SECOND STAGE OF THE DUAL-STAGE AIR BAG WILL NOT INFLATE IN A SEVERE FRONTAL IMPACT. ACCORDINGLY, THE AIR BAGS FAIL TO CONFORM TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY NO. 208, "OCCUPANT CRASH PROTECTION."

Consequence:

AN IMPROPERLY DEPLOYED AIR BAG WILL INCREASE THE RISK OF INJURY TO THE OCCUPANT.

Remedy:

GM WILL NOTIFY OWNERS, AND DEALERS WILL INSTALL A NEW FRONT PASSENGER AIR BAG FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING NOVEMBER 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT GMC AT 1-800-462-8782 OR CHEVROLET AT 1-800-222-1020.

Report Date :**November 21, 2011 at 11:10 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V538000**

Vehicle Make / Model:

INFINITI / G37 COUPE

NISSAN / 370Z

Manufacturer: NISSAN NORTH AMERICA, INC.

NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V538000

Model Year(s):

2011-2012

2011

Mfr's Report Date: NOV 03, 2011

NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: VISIBILITY:POWER WINDOW DEVICES AND CONTROLS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,788

Summary:

NISSAN IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2011 AND 2012 INFINITI G37 COUPE VEHICLES AND CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2011 NISSAN 370Z VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM JULY 2, 2011, THROUGH AUGUST 29, 2011. DUE TO A PROGRAMMING ERROR, THE POWER WINDOW SWITCH CONTROLLER IN THE SUBJECT VEHICLES WAS MANUFACTURED OUT OF SPECIFICATION.

Consequence:

THE THRESHOLD FOR AUTO REVERSE ACTIVATION IS HIGHER THAN THE NISSAN SPECIFICATION. SHOULD A BODY PART BECOME TRAPPED BY A CLOSING WINDOW, A PINCH INJURY MAY RESULT.

Remedy:

NISSAN WILL NOTIFY OWNERS, AND DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE POWER WINDOW SWITCHES WITH NEW ONES FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT NOVEMBER 28, 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT NISSAN AT 1800-647-7261 OR INFINITI AT 1-800-662-6200

Report Date :**November 21, 2011 at 11:11 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V535000**

Vehicle Make / Model:

TOMBERLIN / AVL

Manufacturer: TOMBERLIN AUTOMOTIVE GROUP

NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V535000

Model Year(s):

2012

Mfr's Report Date: NOV 07, 2011

NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: SEAT BELTS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8

Summary:

TOMBERLIN AUTOMOTIVE GROUP IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2012 TOMBERLIN AVL LOW SPEED VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM JUNE 2011 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2011. THE SEAT BELT IDENTIFICATION TAG DOES NOT INCLUDE THE DATE OF MANUFACTURER. ACCORDINGLY, THE SEAT BELTS FAIL TO CONFORM TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 500, "LOW SPEED VEHICLES."

Consequence:

IN THE EVENT OF A SAFETY ISSUE WITH THE AFFECTED SEAT BELTS, THE VEHICLE OWNER MAY NOT BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THE SEAT BELT IF IT DOES NOT HAVE A DATE OF MANUFACTURE.

Remedy:

TOMBERLIN WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REPLACE THE SEAT BELTS FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING NOVEMBER 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT TOMBERLIN AT 1-706-860-8880.

Report Date :**November 21, 2011 at 11:12 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V541000**

Vehicle Make / Model:

LOTUS / ELISE

Manufacturer: LOTUS CARS LTD

NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V541000

Model Year(s):

2011

Mfr's Report Date: OCT 27, 2011

NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: EXTERIOR LIGHTING:TURN SIGNAL:FLASHER UNIT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 52

Summary:

LOTUS IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2011 ELISE VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM JUNE 2010, THROUGH FEBRUARY 2011, FOR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NUMBER 108, "LAMPS, REFLECTIVE DEVICES, AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT." THESE VEHICLES WERE FITTED WITH TURN SIGNAL MODULES WHICH WERE NOT COMPATIBLE WITH THE REVISED FRONT HEADLIGHT CONFIGURATION WHICH INCLUDES THE INTEGRAL FRONT LED TURN SIGNAL UNITS. THE INCOMPATIBLE MODULE MAY, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS CAUSE ALL THE LED TURN SIGNAL LAMPS TO FLASH AT AN ERRATIC FREQUENCY WHEN THE HAZARD WARNING SWITCH IS DEPRESSED. IN ADDITION, IN THE EVENT THAT EITHER A FRONT OR REAR TURN SIGNAL LAMP FAILS TO ILLUMINATE OR DOES NOT FLASH AT THE CORRECT FREQUENCY WHEN OPERATED, THE REMAINING FUNCTIONING SIGNAL LAMPS ON THAT VEHICLES SIDE AS WELL AS THE INSTRUMENT TURN TELL TALE LAMP WILL NOT FLASH AT AN INCREASED RATE AS INTENDED.

Consequence:

THE DRIVER WILL NOT BE VISUALLY ALERTED TO THE FACT THAT ONE OR MORE OF THE VEHICLES TURN SIGNAL LAMPS IS NOT OPERATING CORRECTLY, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

LOTUS WILL NOTIFY OWNERS, AND DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE TURN SIGNAL MODULE FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT LOTUS AT 1-800-245-6887.