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## NHTSA Recalls of Interest

November 7, 2011

Report Date :**November 7, 2011 at 10:24 AM**  
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V534000**

**Vehicle Make / Model:**

PONTIAC / G8

**Manufacturer:** GENERAL MOTORS LLC

**NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:** 11V534000

**Model Year(s):**

2008-2009

**Mfr's Report Date:** NOV 03, 2011

**NHTSA Action Number:** N/A

**Component:** AIR BAGS:FRONTAL:SENSOR/CONTROL MODULE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 38,444

**Summary:**

GENERAL MOTORS (GM) IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2008-2009 PONTIAC G8 VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM NOVEMBER 2, 2007 THROUGH JANUARY 22, 2009. A 5TH PERCENTILE FEMALE ANTHROPOMORPHIC TEST DEVICE (ATD) IN A 30 MPH FRONTAL BARRIER TEST EXCEEDED THE HEAD INJURY CRITERIA (HIC) REQUIREMENTS OF THE STANDARD. WITH THE FRONT PASSENGER SEAT POSITIONED FULL FORWARD, THE SEAT POSITION SENSOR WILL CAUSE A 30 MILLISECONDS DEPLOYMENT DELAY BETWEEN THE FIRST AND SECOND STAGES OF THE DUAL-STAGE FRONTAL PASSENGER AIR BAG.

**Consequence:**

IN THE EVENT OF A CRASH, THIS DELAY MAY RESULT IN INCREASED HEAD INJURY TO CERTAIN FRONT SEAT OCCUPANTS.

**Remedy:**

GM DEALERS WILL REPROGRAM THE SENSING AND DIAGNOSTIC MODULE FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT PONTIAC AT 1-800-620-7668.

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Report Date :**November 7, 2011 at 10:25 AM**  
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V528000**

**Vehicle Make / Model:**  
JEEP / WRANGLER  
**Manufacturer:** CHRYSLER GROUP LLC  
**NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:** 11V528000

**Model Year(s):**  
2008-2012  
**Mfr's Report Date:** NOV 01, 2011  
**NHTSA Action Number:** PE11019

**Component:** AIR BAGS:FRONTAL

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 5,334

**Summary:**

CHRYSLER IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2008-2012 RIGHT HAND DRIVE (RHD) JEEP WRANGLER VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2007, THROUGH OCTOBER 10, 2011. SOME VEHICLES MAY BE EQUIPPED WITH DRIVER'S AIRBAG CLOCKSPrING ASSEMBLIES THAT COULD EXPERIENCE A COMPROMISED AIRBAG CIRCUIT RESULTING IN AN AIRBAG LAMP ILLUMINATION, WHICH INDICATES THAT THE AIRBAG MAY NOT DEPLOY.

**Consequence:**

A BROKEN ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT IN THE AIRBAG CLOCKSPrING WIRING ASSEMBLY CAN LEAD TO NON-DEPLOYMENT OF THE DRIVER FRONTAL AIRBAG AND WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PROPERLY PROTECT THE DRIVER IN THE EVENT OF A CRASH, INCREASING THE RISK OF INJURIES.

**Remedy:**

CHRYSLER WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REMEDY THE VEHICLES AS NECESSARY FREE OF CHARGE. CHRYSLER WILL MAIL TO OWNERS AN INTERIM NOTIFICATION ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT CHRYSLER AT 1-800-853-1403.

**Notes:**

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Report Date :**November 7, 2011 at 10:27 AM**  
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V527000**

**Vehicle Make / Model:**  
PIERCE / ARROW XT  
PIERCE / CUSTOM CONTENDER  
PIERCE / IMPEL  
PIERCE / QUANTUM  
PIERCE / SABER  
PIERCE / VELOCITY  
**Manufacturer:** PIERCE MANUFACTURING  
**NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:** 11V527000

**Model Year(s):**  
2007-2011  
2008-2011  
2008-2011  
2008-2011  
2009-2011  
2007-2011  
**Mfr's Report Date:** OCT 27, 2011  
**NHTSA Action Number:** N/A

**Component:** ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 724

**Summary:**

PIERCE MANUFACTURING (PIERCE) IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2007-2011 ARROW XTAND VELOCITY, MODEL YEAR 2008-2011 CUSTOM CONTENDER, IMPEL, QUANTUM AND MODEL YEAR 2009-2011 SABER EMERGENCY TRUCKS, EQUIPPED WITH MERITOR WABCO ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL (ESC) MODULES, MANUFACTURED FROM DECEMBER 19, 2007, THROUGH OCTOBER 7, 2011. 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:**

PIERCE IS WORKING WITH MERITOR WABCO AND WILL REPLACE THE CONTROL MODULE FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 16, 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MERITOR WABCO AT 1-248-435-8001 OR PIERCE AT 1-920-832-3000.

Report Date :**November 7, 2011 at 10:28 AM**  
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V524000**

**Vehicle Make / Model:**

MCI / D4000  
MCI / D4000ISTV  
MCI / D4005  
MCI / D4500  
MCI / D4505  
MCI / E4500  
MCI / J4500

**Model Year(s):**

2007-2012  
2007-2012  
2007-2012  
2007-2012  
2007-2012  
2003 2007-2012  
2003 2007-2012

**Manufacturer:** MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC

**NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:** 11V524000

**Mfr's Report Date:** OCT 21, 2011

**NHTSA Action Number:** N/A

**Component:** ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 1,962

**Summary:**

MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES (MCI) IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2003, AND 2007-2012 E AND J MODELS ALONG WITH MODEL YEAR 2007-2012 D4000, D4005, D4500, D4505, D4000ISTV MOTOR COACHES EQUIPPED WITH MERITOR WABCO ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL (ESC) MODULES, MANUFACTURED FROM OCTOBER 2002, THROUGH OCTOBER 2011. 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:**

MCI WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REPLACE THE CONTROL MODULE FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MCI CUSTOMER SERVICE AT 1-800-241-2947.

Report Date :**November 7, 2011 at 10:29 AM**  
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V523000**

**Vehicle Make / Model:**

ORION / ORION VII LI-ION ESS  
ORION / ORION VII LI-ION HYBRID

**Manufacturer:** DAIMLER BUSES NORTH AMERICA, INC.

**NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:** 11V523000

**Model Year(s):**

2006  
2008-2011

**Mfr's Report Date:** OCT 25, 2011

**NHTSA Action Number:** N/A

**Component:** ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 1,300

**Summary:**

DAIMLER BUSES IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2008 THROUGH 2011 ORION VII LI-ION HYBRID TRANSIT BUSES MANUFACTURED FROM JULY 2008 THROUGH AUGUST 2011 AND MODEL YEAR 2006 ORION VII LI-ION ESS TRANSIT BUSES MANUFACTURED FROM MAY 2006 THROUGH MAY 2007, CONTAINS BAE SYSTEMS (BAE) LITHIUM ION ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (ESS). OVER TIME, PARTICULATE DEBRIS CAN ACCUMULATE IN THE HYBRID SYSTEM'S LI-ION STORAGE SYSTEM (LI-ION ESS). ACCUMULATED DEBRIS IN CONJUNCTION WITH MOISTURE CAN BREACH THE ELECTRICAL ISOLATION OF THE HIGH VOLTAGE BATTERY PACK. A CONDUCTIVE PATH CAN BE CREATED IF THE ELECTRICAL ISOLATION IS BREACHED AT BOTH ENDS OF THE BATTERY.

**Consequence:**

THIS CAN RESULT IN THE UNINTENTIONAL DISCHARGE OF THE BATTERY'S STORED ENERGY, CREATING A RISK OF SMOKE, MELTING AND CHARRING, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A FIRE.

**Remedy:**

ORION WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND THE REPAIRS WILL BE PERFORMED BY BAE SYSTEMS FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JANUARY 2012. OWNERS MAY CONTACT DAIMLER BUSES NORTH AMERICA AT 1-905-403-1111.