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NHTSA Recalls of Interest November 23, 2015

RECALL Subject : Unexpected Braking due to Pre-Collision System

Report Receipt Date: NOV 03, 2015

NHTSA Campaign Number: 15V728000

Component(s): FORWARD COLLISION AVOIDANCE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 30,812

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• LEXUS	ES300H	2013-2015
• LEXUS	ES350	2013-2015
• TOYOTA	AVALON	2013-2015
• TOYOTA	AVALON HYBRID	2013-2015

Manufacturer: Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing

SUMMARY:

Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing (Toyota) is recalling certain model year 2013-2015 Avalon and Avalon Hybrid vehicles manufactured October 19, 2012 to October 27, 2015 and 2013-2015 Lexus ES350 and ES300h vehicles manufactured June 18, 2012 to July 6, 2015. The affected vehicles are equipped with a Denso Corporation Pre-Collision System (PCS) as optional equipment. In these vehicles, the PCS may unexpectedly activate and apply the brakes when the radar detects a steel joint or plate in the roadway as an object.

CONSEQUENCE:

A vehicle that unexpectedly brakes increases the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Remedy parts for a permanent fix for this issue are not yet available. Beginning November 16, 2015, Toyota sent owners an interim notification and dealers will temporarily disable the PCS. When the improved PCS components are available for the permanent remedy, owners will be mailed a second notification. These repairs will be performed free of charge.

RECALL Subject : Bent Left Rear Seat Inboard Anchor/FMVSS 225

Report Receipt Date: OCT 30, 2015

NHTSA Campaign Number: 15V718000

Component(s): CHILD SEAT , SEATS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 7,162

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• BMW	528I	2016
• BMW	535D	2016
• BMW	535I	2016
• BMW	550I	2016
• BMW	M5	2016

Manufacturer: BMW of North America, LLC

SUMMARY:

BMW of North America, LLC (BMW) is recalling certain model year 2016 528i, 528i xDrive, 535i, 535i xDrive, 535d xDrive, M5, 550i, 550i xDrive, and 535d sedans. The affected vehicles have an inboard lower anchor for child restraints on the left rear seat that may have been bent downwards, preventing the child seat from fully engaging both lower anchors. As such, these vehicles may fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 225, "Child Restraint Anchorage Systems."

CONSEQUENCE:

If the child seat is not properly attached to the lower anchors, it can increase the child's risk of injury in the event of a crash.

REMEDY:

BMW will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and, if necessary, repair the inboard lower anchor on the left rear seat, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 24, 2015.

RECALL Subject : Brake Controller may not Activate Trailer Brakes

Report Receipt Date: OCT 27, 2015

NHTSA Campaign Number: 15V710000

Component(s): ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected: 65

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• FORD	E-350	2016
• FORD	E-450	2016

Manufacturer: Ford Motor Company

SUMMARY:

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain model year 2016 E-350 and E-450 vehicles manufactured November 3, 2014, to September 1, 2015, and equipped with a 6.8L engine and an optional trailer brake controller. In the affected vehicles, the trailer brake controller may not actuate the trailer brakes.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the trailer brakes are not activated when the towing vehicle is slowing down, the distance needed to stop the vehicle may be lengthened, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the powertrain control module, free of charge. The recall began on November 10, 2015.

