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## NHTSA Recalls of Interest

November 7, 2016

### **RECALL Subject : Improper Welds on Driver's Knee Air Bag Inflator**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 02, 2016

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 16V799000

**Component(s):** AIR BAGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 88

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• JEEP	CHEROKEE	2017

**Manufacturer:** Chrysler (FCA US LLC)

#### **SUMMARY:**

Chrysler (FCA US LLC) is recalling certain model year 2017 Jeep Cherokee vehicles manufactured October 13, 2016, to October 17, 2016. Improper welds on the ARC driver's knee air bag inflator may prevent the air bag from properly inflating.

#### **CONSEQUENCE:**

If the driver's knee air bag does not properly inflate, there is an increased risk of injury in the event of a crash.

#### **REMEDY:**

Chrysler will notify owners, and dealers will replace the driver's knee air bag module, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 18, 2016.

## **RECALL Subject : Side Air Bag Fabric May Tear During Deployment**

**Report Receipt Date:** OCT 26, 2016  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 16V781000  
**Component(s):** AIR BAGS  
**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 18

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2016

**Manufacturer:** General Motors LLC

### **SUMMARY:**

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2016 Chevrolet Malibu vehicles manufactured November 18, 2015, to June 7, 2016. The fabric of the side-impact air bag cushion may tear during deployment due to overloaded propellant in the ARC inflator in the module.

### **CONSEQUENCE:**

If the air bag tears during deployment, the air bag may not perform as designed, increasing the risk of injury in the event of a crash.

### **REMEDY:**

GM will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and, as necessary, replace the air bag module, free of charge. The recall began October 27, 2016.

## **RECALL Subject : Brake Fluid Level Sensor Inoperative/FMVSS 135**

**Report Receipt Date:** OCT 24, 2016  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 16V775000  
**Component(s):** ELECTRICAL SYSTEM , SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC  
**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 7,056

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• TOYOTA	HIGHLANDER	2016

**Manufacturer:** Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing

### **SUMMARY:**

Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing (Toyota) is recalling certain model year 2016 Highlander vehicles manufactured May 26, 2016, to September 16, 2016. The brake fluid level sensor may not be connected to the wire harness, preventing the sensor from detecting the brake fluid level. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 135, "Light Vehicle Brake Systems."

**CONSEQUENCE:**

If the brake fluid level is low and is not detected, the braking performance may be decreased, increasing the risk of a crash.

**REMEDY:**

Toyota will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and, as necessary, connect the wire harness to the sensor, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 7, 2016.

**RECALL Subject : Passenger Air Bag Door May Detach**

**Report Receipt Date:** OCT 18, 2016

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 16V750000

**Component(s):** AIR BAGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 2

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• DODGE	VIPER	2016

**Manufacturer:** Chrysler (FCA US LLC)

**SUMMARY:**

Chrysler (FCA US LLC) is recalling certain 2016 MY Dodge Viper vehicles manufactured January 6, 2016, to January 8, 2016. A defective vibration weld on the International Automotive Components passenger airbag chute may cause the passenger air bag door to detach during the air bag deployment.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

If the air bag door detaches during deployment, there is an increased the risk of injury to vehicle occupants.

**REMEDY:**

Chrysler will notify owners, and dealers will replace the passenger side upper panel assembly, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on November 25, 2016.