

NHTSA Recalls of Interest October 10, 2016

RECALL Subject: Panoramic Roof Panel may Separate from Vehicle

Report Receipt Date: SEP 27, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V695000

Component(s): VISIBILITY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 887

Vehicle Make Model Year(s)

• FORD TRANSIT CONNECT 2014

Manufacturer: Ford Motor Company

SUMMARY:

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain model year 2014 Transit Connect vehicles manufactured October 4, 2013, to July 14, 2014 and equipped with a Panoramic Fixed-Glass Vista roof. The BOS Automotive Products Hungary panoramic roof panel may have an inadequate bond to the vehicle, possibly resulting in the panel separating from the vehicle.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the panoramic roof panel separates from the vehicle while it is being driven, it may increase the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will remove, clean, and reinstall the panoramic roof panel, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin October 31, 2016.

RECALL Subject: Fuel Pump Cap Flange May Crack Causing Fuel Leak

Report Receipt Date: SEP 13, 2016 NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V660000 Component(s): FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE Potential Number of Units Affected: 143,214

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• AUDI	Q5	2009-2012
• AUDI	Q7	2007-2012

Manufacturer: Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

SUMMARY:

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (Volkswagen) is recalling certain model year 2009-2012 Audi Q5, and 2007-2012 Audi Q7 vehicles equipped with gasoline engines. The Continental fuel cap flange on the affected vehicles may crack, allowing fuel to leak.

CONSEQUENCE:

A fuel leak in the presence of an ignition source increases the risk of a fire.

REMEDY:

Audi will notify owners, and dealers will clean the pump flange and install a butyl rubber band to protect the pump, free of charge. Parts are not currently available. Interim notices will be sent in early November 2016.

RECALL Subject: Suction Pump may Allow Fuel into the EVAP System

Report Receipt Date: SEP 07, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V647000

Component(s): ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING, FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 110,042

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• AUDI	A3	2015-2016
 VOLKSWAGEN 	GOLF	2015-2016
 VOLKSWAGEN 	GTI	2015-2016

Manufacturer: Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

SUMMARY:

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (Volkswagen) is recalling certain model year 2015-2016 Volkswagen Golf, Golf SportWagen, GTI, Audi A3 sedan and A3 Cabriolet vehicles. Due to a problem with the Alfmeier Prazision suction pump inside the fuel tank, fuel may flow into the evaporative emissions (EVAP) system.

CONSEQUENCE:

As fuel accumulates in the EVAP system, it may leak out through the charcoal canister filter element. A fuel leak in the presence of an ignition source increases the risk of a fire.

REMEDY:

Volkswagen will notify owners, and dealers will replace the suction pump, free of charge. Parts are not currently available. An interim notice will be sent to owners by early November and a second notice will be sent when parts are available.

RECALL Subject: Engine Compartment Fuel Hose may Degrade and Leak

Report Receipt Date: SEP 07, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V646000 Component(s): FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE Potential Number of Units Affected: 28,249

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• AUDI	A6	2012-2013
• AUDI	A7	2012-2013

Manufacturer: Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

SUMMARY:

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (Volkswagen) is recalling certain model year 2012-2013 Audi A6 and Audi A7 vehicles. The affected vehicles have a fuel hose in the engine compartment that may degrade and leak fuel.

CONSEQUENCE:

A fuel leak in the presence of an ignition source increases the risk of a fire.

REMEDY:

Audi will notify owners, and dealers will replace the under hood fuel pump and fuel hose, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

RECALL Subject: Weld of Fuel Tank Recirculation Pipe may Leak

Report Receipt Date: SEP 23, 2016 NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V685000 Component(s): FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE Potential Number of Units Affected: 3,849 Vehicle Make Model Year(s)

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Manufacturer: Mazda North American Operations

SUMMARY:

Mazda North American Operations (Mazda) is recalling certain model year 2016 Mazda3 vehicles manufactured September 24, 2015, to October 16, 2015. During manufacturing, the Kautex Textron de Mexico fuel tanks for the affected vehicles may have deformed, resulting in a fuel leak from the recirculation pipe welded connection.

CONSEQUENCE:

A fuel leak in the presence of an ignition source increases the risk of a fire.

REMEDY:

Mazda will notify owners, and depending on the tank lot number, dealers will inspect the recirculation pipe weld, replacing the fuel tank, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 1, 2016.

RECALL Subject: Hatchback can be Unlatched with One Button Press

Report Receipt Date: SEP 28, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V698000

Component(s): LATCHES/LOCKS/LINKAGES, STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 64,038

Vehicle MakeModel Year(s)FORDFOCUS2013-2017

Manufacturer: Ford Motor Company

SUMMARY:

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain model year 2013-2017 Ford Focus hatchback vehicles manufactured February 14, 2012, to August 26, 2016 and equipped with a manual transmission. The hatchback of the affected vehicles may be unlatched with a single press of the interior latch release button. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 206, "Door Locks and Door Retention Components."

CONSEQUENCE:

With only a single press needed, the driver may accidently unlatch the hatchback, increasing the risk of injury to any unsecured passengers in the back.

REMEDY:

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the Body Control Module with updated software, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 14, 2016.