



Automotive Safety Council

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October 31, 2011

NHTSA Recalls of Interest

Report Date :**October 31, 2011 at 10:18 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V500000**

Vehicle Make / Model:

SPARTAN / DIAMOND
SPARTAN / FURION
SPARTAN / FURION R/T
SPARTAN / GLADIATOR
SPARTAN / METROSTAR
SPARTAN / SPARTAN FORCE

Model Year(s):

2008
2008-2009 2011
2010
2007-2012
2008-2012
2012

Manufacturer: SPARTAN CHASSIS, INC.

NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V500000

Mfr's Report Date: OCT 11, 2011

NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 799

Summary:

SPARTAN CHASSIS (SPARTAN), IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2008 DIAMOND, MODEL YEAR 2008-2009 FURION ALONG WITH MODEL YEAR 2011, MODEL YEAR 2010 FURION R/T, MODEL YEAR 2007-2012 GLADIATOR, MODEL YEAR 2008-2012 METROSTAR AND MODEL YEAR 2012 SPARTAN FORCE EMERGENCY RESCUE TRANSPORT VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH AN ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL (ESC) MANUFACTURED FROM APRIL 12, 2007, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2011. THE ESC MODULE MAY CAUSE THE ESC SYSTEM TO ACTIVATE UNNECESSARILY WHEN THE VEHICLE IS DRIVEN IN A PARTICULAR MANNER ON CERTAIN UNIQUE ROAD CONDITIONS AND MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT THE SLIP ANGLE CALCULATION BY THE ESC MODULE.

Consequence:

THIS MIGHT CAUSE THE ESC TO PERCEIVE AN OVER STEERING SITUATION AND THEREFORE APPLY THE FRONT AXLE OUTER WHEEL SERVICE BRAKE UNTIL THE VEHICLE IS PERCEIVED TO BE STABLE BY THE ESC. THESE CONDITIONS COULD INCREASE THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

SPARTAN WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REPLACE THE CONTROL MODULE FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 30, 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT SPARTAN AT 1-800-543-5008 OPTION 5.

Report Date :**October 31, 2011 at 10:21 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V511000**

Vehicle Make / Model:
CHEVROLET / EQUINOX
GMC / TERRAIN
Manufacturer: GENERAL MOTORS LLC
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V511000

Model Year(s):
2012
2012
Mfr's Report Date: OCT 18, 2011
NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: TIRES:PRESSURE MONITORING AND REGULATING SYSTEMS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 33,964

Summary:

GENERAL MOTORS (GM) IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2012 CHEVROLET EQUINOX AND GMC TERRAIN VEHICLES, MANUFACTURED FROM JULY 18, 2011, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 6, 2011, FOR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NUMBER 138, "TIRE PRESSURE MONITORING SYSTEM" (TPMS). THE TIRE PRESSURE MONITORING SYSTEM IS DESIGNED TO ILLUMINATE THE TIRE PRESSURE WARNING LIGHT WHEN THE PRESSURE IN A TIRE IS 25% BELOW THE RECOMMENDED COLD TIRE PRESSURE. ON THESE VEHICLES, THE LIGHT WILL NOT ILLUMINATE UNTIL THE TIRE PRESSURE IS MORE THAN 25% BELOW THE RECOMMENDED COLD TIRE PRESSURE.

Consequence:

UNDERINFLATED TIRES CAN RESULT IN TIRE OVERLOADING AND OVERHEATING, WHICH COULD LEAD TO A BLOWOUT AND POSSIBLE CRASH. THE RESULTING CRASH COULD CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY. UNDERINFLATED TIRES CAN ALSO RESULT IN PREMATURE OR IRREGULAR WEAR, POOR HANDLING, AND POOR FUEL ECONOMY.

Remedy:

GM DEALERS WILL UPDATE THE BODY CONTROL MODULE FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING OCTOBER 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT CHEVROLET AT 1-800-630-2438 AND GMC AT 1-866-996-9463.

Report Date :**October 31, 2011 at 10:22 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V514000**

Vehicle Make / Model:
FREIGHTLINER / CASCADIA
FREIGHTLINER / CENTURY
FREIGHTLINER / CLASSIC XL
FREIGHTLINER / COLUMBIA
FREIGHTLINER / CORONADO
Manufacturer: DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V514000

Model Year(s):
2005-2011
2005-2011
2005-2011
2005-2011
2005-2011
Mfr's Report Date: OCT 14, 2011
NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: STEERING:RACK AND PINION

Potential Number of Units Affected: 9,906

Summary:

DAIMLER TRUCKS IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2005-2011 FREIGHTLINER CASCADIA, COLUMBIA, CENTURY, CORONADO, AND CLASSIC XL TRUCKS MANUFACTURED FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2004, THROUGH JUNE 15, 2010 FOR THE RACK AND PINION STEERING SYSTEM. THE LOWER PINION BEARING MAY CORRODE AND FAIL. A FAILED BEARING MAY LEAD TO DAMAGE OF THE SPOOL VALVE SEALS. A DAMAGE SPOOL VALVE SEAL MAY ALLOW HYDRAULIC FLUID TO FLOW TO THE RIGHT OR LEFT TURN PORT INSTEAD OF FLOWING TO

THE RETURN PORT.

Consequence:

THE STEERING COULD UNEXPECTEDLY TURN LEFT OR RIGHT, MAKING THE VEHICLE MORE DIFFICULT TO CONTROL AND INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DAIMLER TRUCKS HAS NOT YET PROVIDED THE AGENCY WITH A REMEDY PLAN. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT DECEMBER 6, 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT DAIMLER TRUCKS TOLL-FREE AT 1-800-547-0712.

Report Date :**October 31, 2011 at 10:24 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V515000**

Vehicle Make / Model:

AMERICAN LAFRANCE / EAGLE

Manufacturer: AMERICAN LAFRANCE LLC

NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V515000

Model Year(s):

2010

Mfr's Report Date: OCT 13, 2011

NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 17

Summary:

AMERICAN LAFRANCE (ALF) IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 AND 2011 EAGLE FIRE TRUCKS MANUFACTURED FROM OCTOBER 21, 2010, THROUGH AUGUST 25, 2011, EQUIPPED WITH A MERITOR WABCO ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL (ESC) SYSTEM, MANUFACTURED FROM APRIL 2009 THROUGH OCTOBER 2011. THE ESC MODULE MAY CAUSE THE ESC SYSTEM TO ACTIVATE UNNECESSARILY WHEN THE VEHICLE IS DRIVEN IN A PARTICULAR MANNER ON CERTAIN UNIQUE ROAD CONDITIONS AND MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT THE SLIP ANGLE CALCULATION BY THE ESC MODULE.

Consequence:

THIS MIGHT CAUSE THE ESC TO PERCEIVE AN OVER STEERING SITUATION AND THEREFORE APPLY THE FRONT AXLE OUTER WHEEL SERVICE BRAKE UNTIL THE VEHICLE IS PERCEIVED TO BE STABLE BY THE ESC. 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:

ALF WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REPLACE THE CONTROL MODULE FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED A NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT ALF AT 1-843-486-7703.

Report Date :**October 31, 2011 at 10:24 AM**
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number:**11V516000**

Vehicle Make / Model:

SPARTAN / K2
SPARTAN / K3
SPARTAN / MM
SPARTAN / SU

Model Year(s):

2010-2011
2010-2011
2010-2011
2010-2011

Manufacturer: SPARTAN CHASSIS, INC.

NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 11V516000

Mfr's Report Date: OCT 17, 2011

NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 651

Summary:

SPARTAN IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 AND 2011 K2, K3, MM, AND SU INCOMPLETE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE CHASSIS MANUFACTURED FROM JANUARY 4, 2010, THROUGH JANUARY 26, 2011, EQUIPPED WITH AN ELECTRONIC CONTROL MODULE, PART NUMBER 2791-NN2E-001 OR 2791-NN2E-002. WHEN THE BRAKE IS APPLIED, THE CRUISE CONTROL MAY NOT CANCEL. ADDITIONALLY, THESE VEHICLES MAY EXHIBIT AN INADVERTENT, MODERATE INCREASE IN VEHICLE SPEED UNTIL THE VEHICLES REACHES ITS GOVERNED SPEED AFTER THE VEHICLE'S CRUISE CONTROL IS SET.

Consequence:

IF THE DRIVER ATTEMPTS TO CANCEL THE CRUISE CONTROL BY APPLYING THE BRAKE OR IF THE VEHICLE SPEED INCREASES AND THE DRIVER IS UNAWARE, THEY MAY HAVE REDUCED CONTROL OF THE VEHICLE, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

THE MANUFACTURER IS IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING A REMEDY FOR THIS ISSUE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED A NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE FOR THIS CAMPAIGN. OWNERS MAY CONTACT SPARTAN AT 1-517-543-6400.