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NHTSA Recalls of Interest September 16, 2013

RECALL Subject : Occupant Classification System (OCS) sensor mat , 1 INVESTIGATION(S)

Report Receipt Date: SEP 06, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V405000

Component(s): AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 193,936

Vehicle MakeModelModel Year(s)

- SUZUKIGRAND VITARA2006-2011
- SUZUKISX42007-2011

Manufacturer: Suzuki Motor of America, Inc.

SUMMARY:

Suzuki Motor of America, Inc. (Suzuki) is recalling certain model year 2006-2011 Grand Vitara and 2007-2011 SX4 vehicles. In the affected vehicles, over time, the OCS sensor mat installed in the front passenger seat may fail due to repeated flexing of the mat from use of the seat. As a result, during a crash necessitating deployment, the air bag will deploy regardless of whether the front seat occupant is an adult or a child.

CONSEQUENCE:

Air bag deployment with a child in the front passenger side seat increases the risk of injury to that child.

REMEDY:

Suzuki will notify owners and dealers will replace the front passenger seat cushion assembly (which includes the OCS sensor mat) free of charge. Sufficient quantities of parts are not currently available to fix all of the affected vehicles. Owners will be notified of the recall in October 2013 and will receive a second notification when parts are available to have their vehicle repaired. Owners may contact Suzuki at 1-800-255-2550. Suzuki's recall campaign number is VD.

NOTES:

Note: Vehicles which previously had a countermeasure occupant classification system (OCS) sensor mat installed under the special coverage campaign conducted by Suzuki distributors in the United States are not affected by this recall.

RECALL Subject : Caliper Mounting Bolts

Report Receipt Date: SEP 05, 2013
NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V403000
Component(s): SERVICE BRAKES, AIR
Potential Number of Units Affected: 112

Vehicle MakeModelModel Year(s)

- FREIGHTLINERCASCADE

Manufacturer: Daimler Trucks North America

SUMMARY:

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain model year 2014 Freightliner Cascadia trucks manufactured January 21, 2013, through May 10, 2013; and equipped with Wabco Maxxus Brakes. The brake caliper mounting bolts may be incorrectly torqued, which could result in the bolts loosening.

CONSEQUENCE:

The bolts may not provide adequate clamping force between the brake caliper and brake anchor plate, resulting in the caliper detaching and thus reduced brake effectiveness. Reduced brake effectiveness increases the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

DTNA will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and tighten the caliper mounting bolts, as needed, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin by November 3, 2013.

RECALL Subject : Interior Side Door Lock May Become Inoperable

Report Receipt Date: SEP 05, 2013
NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V402000
Component(s): LATCHES/LOCKS/LINKAGES
Potential Number of Units Affected: 34

All Products Associated with this Recall 

Vehicle MakeModelModel Year(s)

- SHOWHAULERMOTORHOME2006-2013

Manufacturer: ShowHauler Trucks, Inc.

SUMMARY:

ShowHauler Trucks, Inc. (ShowHauler) is recalling certain model year 2006-2013 Motorhome, Garage Unit, and Toterhome vehicles manufactured January 2006 through April 2013. It may be possible to remove the key from the lock in a way that potentially jams the deadbolt.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the deadbolt jams, the interior side of the door lock may also jam. A person inside the recreational vehicle at the time will then be locked in and be unable to exit the vehicle without using the emergency exit, increasing the risk of injury.

REMEDY:

ShowHauler will notify owners, and Fastec will coordinate the inspection and replacement of the cylinders, as needed, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

RECALL Subject : Child Seat Tether Position

Report Receipt Date: SEP 04, 2013
NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V400000
Component(s): CHILD SEAT
Potential Number of Units Affected: 164

All Products Associated with this Recall

Vehicle MakeModelModel Year(s)

- ITASCACAMBRIA2013-2014
- WINNEBAGOASPECT2013-2014

Manufacturer: Winnebago Industries, Inc

SUMMARY:

Winnebago Industries Inc. (Winnebago) is recalling certain model year 2013-2014 Aspect and Itasca Cambria (models 730C and 730J) motorhomes, manufactured March 12, 2012, through May 31, 2013. The child seat tether is mounted in an improper position.

CONSEQUENCE:

This improper position does not allow the child seat to be used properly and in the event of a crash, it will not allow the child seat to properly protect the occupant which increases the risk of injury.

REMEDY:

Winnebago will notify owners and dealers will remove the child tether, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in early October 2013.

RECALL Subject : ABS Modulator Valve Fracture

Report Receipt Date: AUG 30, 2013
NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V392000
Component(s): SERVICE BRAKES, AIR
Potential Number of Units Affected: 113

All Products Associated with this Recall 🍌

Vehicle MakeModelModel Year(s)

- SPARTANK22011-2014
- SPARTANK32010-2012
- SPARTANMM2009-2012

Manufacturer: Spartan Motors, Inc.

SUMMARY:

Spartan Motor Chassis, Inc. (Spartan) is recalling certain model year 2009-2012 MM, 2011-2014 K2, and 2010-2012 K3 motor home chassis. Due to contact with the steering relay rod, the ABS modulator valve may fracture resulting in air not being applied to the affected wheel end.

CONSEQUENCE:

This may increase stopping distance of the vehicle or cause the vehicle to pull to one side. Either condition increases the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Spartan will notify owners and dealers will reorient the ABS modulator valve and install spacers for additional clearance, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in September 2013.