



Automotive Safety Council

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NHTSA Recalls of Interest September 15, 2014

RECALL Subject : TPMS Indicator/FMVSS 138

Report Receipt Date: OCT 03, 2011
NHTSA Campaign Number: 11V493000
Component(s):
Potential Number of Units Affected: 158

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• MERCEDES BENZ	S400	2011-2012
• MERCEDES BENZ	S550	2011-2012
• MERCEDES BENZ	S600	2011-2012
• MERCEDES BENZ	S63	2011-2012
• MERCEDES BENZ	S65	2011-2012

Manufacturer: Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

SUMMARY:

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (Mercedes Benz) is recalling certain model year 2011-2012 S550, S550 CGI, S63, S600 Bi-Turbo, S65 AMG, S550 4-Matic, and S550 CGI 4-Matic and S400 Hybrid vehicles manufactured from March 3, 2011, through July 30, 2011, for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicles Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 138, "Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS)." The tire pressure monitoring system indicators may only illuminate for a portion of the time required by the standard and under certain conditions may not re-illuminate immediately after the vehicle is restarted as required.

CONSEQUENCE:

If all four wheel sensors in the subject vehicles are simultaneously malfunctioning or missing, the TPMS will provide an initial warning, but this warning will not automatically repeat on subsequent ignition cycles, failing to remind the driver that the system is offline. Driving unknowingly with incorrectly inflated tires may result in sudden tire failure, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Mercedes Benz will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the tire pressure monitoring unit, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in September 2014.

RECALL Subject : Brake Fluid may Corrode Brake Module

Report Receipt Date: JUL 29, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V460000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,968

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• CHEVROLET	AVEO	2009-2010
• PONTIAC	G3	2009

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2009-2010 Chevrolet Aveo and 2009 Pontiac G3 vehicles. The vehicles may contain brake fluid which does not protect against corrosion of the valves inside the anti-lock brake system (ABS) module, affecting the closing motion of the valves.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the ABS valve corrodes it may result in longer brake pedal travel or reduced performance, increasing the risk of a vehicle crash.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will replace the ABS module, free of charge, in any vehicle that did not have its module replaced under a previous customer satisfaction campaign. The recall is expected to begin in mid-September 2014.

RECALL Subject : Seat Belts may not Remain Retracted Under Load

Report Receipt Date: AUG 08, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V488000

Component(s):

Potential Number of Units Affected: 48,114

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• BUICK	ENCORE	2013
• CADILLAC	ATS	2013

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2013 Buick Encore vehicles manufactured August 23, 2012, to March 1, 2013, and model year 2013 Cadillac ATS vehicles manufactured April 23, 2012, to May 1, 2013. In the affected vehicles, the driver and passenger lap belt pretensioner cables may not lock in a retracted position, allowing the seat belts to extend when pulled upon.

CONSEQUENCE:

If the seat belts do not remain locked in the retracted position when under load, the seat occupant may not be adequately restrained in a crash, increasing the risk of injury.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will replace both front the driver's and the passenger's lap belt pretensioners, free of charge. Parts are not currently available. GM will send an interim notification in early October 2014 and will send a second notification when remedy parts are available.