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NHTSA Recalls of Interest December 23, 2019

Third Row Headrests May Not Function Properly

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V867000

Manufacturer Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

Components SEATS

Potential Number of Units Affected 1

Summary

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC. (MBUSA) is recalling one 2020 GLE450 4MATIC vehicle. The third-row seating headrests were manufactured with insufficient padding and a securing rod that may not hold the headrest in place, affecting the adjustment and operation of the headrest.

Remedy

MBUSA will notify the owner, and a dealer will replace the third row headrests, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 4, 2020. Owners may contact MBUSA customer service at 1-800-367-6372.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL YEAR
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MERCEDES-BENZ	GLE450 2020
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Driver Side Air Bag Inflator May Explode

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V862000

Manufacturer Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Components AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected 226

Summary

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (Volkswagen) is recalling certain 2012-2015 Passat, 2011-2014 Golf A6, and 2011-2013 Audi A3 diesel vehicles, thought to have been previously repaired under one of the Takata air bag recalls. The driver's side air bag inflator may explode due to propellant degradation occurring after long-term exposure to high absolute humidity, high temperatures, and high temperature cycling.

Remedy

Volkswagen will notify owners, and dealers will replace the driver's side air bag inflators, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in December 2019. Owners may contact Volkswagen customer service at 1-800-893-5298 or Audi customer service at 1-800-253-2834. Volkswagen's numbers for this recall are 69R6, 69Q8, 69Q9, and 69Y5.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
AUDI	A3	2011-2013
VOLKSWAGEN	GOLF	2011-2014
VOLKSWAGEN	PASSAT	2012-2015

Incorrect Driver Air Bag and Software

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V868000

Manufacturer Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

Components AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected 99

Summary

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC. (MBUSA) is recalling certain 2019 E53 AMG 4MATIC, E63 AMG 4MATIC Wagon, and E63S AMG 4MATIC Wagon vehicles. The incorrect driver air bag and software version may have been installed.

Remedy

MBUSA will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and, as necessary, replace the driver's air bag and update the air bag software, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 4, 2020. Owners may contact MBUSA customer service at 1-800-367-6372.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
MERCEDES BENZ	E53	2019
MERCEDES BENZ	E63	2019
MERCEDES BENZ	E63S AMG	2019

Rear Seat Belt Assemblies May Not Lock As Intended

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V877000

Manufacturer Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing

Components SEAT BELTS

Potential Number of Units Affected 9,468

Summary

Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing (Toyota) is recalling certain 2019-2020 C-HR and 2020 Corolla and Corolla Hybrid vehicles equipped with rear seat belt assemblies with a dual-mode locking mechanism. The seat belt webbing sensor locking mechanism may not lock as intended.

Remedy

Toyota will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the rear seat belt assembly production dates, and replace the assemblies, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 3, 2020. Owners may contact Toyota customer service at 1-888-270-9371. Toyota's numbers for this recall are 19TB22 and 19TA22.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
TOYOTA	C-HR	2019-2020
TOYOTA	COROLLA	2020
TOYOTA	COROLLA HYBRID	2020

Fire after Seat Belt Pretensioner Deployment

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V880000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components STRUCTURE, SEAT BELTS

Potential Number of Units Affected 490,574

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2017-2019 F-Super Duty F-250, F-350, F-450, and F-550 SuperCrew Cab vehicles with carpet flooring. If a front seat belt pretensioner deploys as the result of a crash, the sparks may ignite materials such as carpeting or insulation within the B-pillar area.

Remedy

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will apply heat resistant tape to the carpet and its insulation, and modify the B-Pillar insulation as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin January 20, 2020. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 19S52.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
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FORD	F-250 SD	2017-2019
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FORD	F-350 SD	2017-2019
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FORD	F-450 SD	2017-2019
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FORD	F-550 SD	2017-2019
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Hazard Warning Lights May Not Activate

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V878000

Manufacturer Porsche Cars North America, Inc.

Components EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Potential Number of Units Affected 1,928

Summary

Porsche Cars North America, Inc. (Porsche) is recalling certain 2020 911 Carrera S Coupe, Cabrio, Coupe, 4 Coupe, 4S Coupe, 4 Cabrio, 4S Cabrio, and S Cabrio vehicles. Due to a software error, the hazard warning lights may not function when activated by an operator. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment."

Remedy

Porsche will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the control unit, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 9, 2020. Owners may contact Porsche customer service at 1-800-767-7243. Porsche's number for this recall is AKC1.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
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PORSCHE	911 CARRERA	2020
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Speed and Fuel Display May Go Blank/FMVSS 101

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V876000

Manufacturer Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 3,751

Summary

Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing (Toyota) is recalling certain 2019 Prius vehicles. An electrical short circuit in the combination meter could occur, causing the speedometer, the odometer, and the fuel gauge to go blank. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 101, "Controls and Displays."

Remedy

Toyota will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the flash memory chip (ROM) production date, and if necessary, replace it along with the combination meter circuit board, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 3, 2020. Owners may contact Toyota customer service at 1-888-270-9371. Toyota's numbers for this recall are 19TA21 and 19TB21.

Vehicle

MAKE MODEL YEAR

TOYOTA PRIUS 2019

Transmission Wiring Harness Can Short Circuit

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V883000

Manufacturer BMW of North America, LLC

Components POWER TRAIN, ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 3,012

Summary

BMW of North America, LLC (BMW) is recalling certain 2019-2020 M5 and 2020 M8 Gran Coupe, M8 Coupe, and M8 Convertible vehicles. The transmission wiring harness can become damaged, resulting in an electrical short circuit.

Remedy

BMW will notify owners, and dealers will replace any damaged transmission harnesses. All harnesses will be rerouted and secured. These repairs will be performed, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 3, 2020. Owners may contact BMW customer service at 1-800-525-7417.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
BMW	M5	2019-2020
BMW	M8	2020
BMW	M8 GRAN COUPE	2020

Poor Alternator Connection may cause Crash or Fire

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V888000

Manufacturer General Motors LLC

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 350,371

Summary

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2019-2020 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 and GMC Sierra 1500 trucks. The battery positive (B+) cable rings may have been manufactured with excessive glue, potentially causing an intermittent electrical connection between the B+ cable and alternator.

Remedy

GM will notify owners, and dealers will inspect for the presence of glue or other contamination at the B+ cable attachment to the alternator and clean the connection and reattach the B+ cable connection, as necessary. If arcing has damaged the cable, nut, or alternator, the dealer will replace the damaged components. All services will be performed free of charge. The recall is expected to begin January 27, 2020. Owners may contact Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-222-1020 or GMC customer service at 1-888-988-7267. GM's number for this recall is N192273510.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO 1500	2019-2020
GMC	SIERRA 1500	2019-2020

EBCM Software Error

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V889000

Manufacturer General Motors LLC

Components SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC, ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL, SERVICE BRAKES

Potential Number of Units Affected 463,995

Summary

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2019 Chevrolet Silverado 1500, Cadillac CT6, and GMC Sierra 1500 vehicles. Due to an Electronic Brake Control Module (EBCM) software error, the vehicle's Electronic Stability Control (ESC) and Antilock Brake System (ABS) may become disabled. Furthermore, if this specific error occurs, the vehicle's diagnostics will not illuminate the instrument cluster ESC and ABS malfunction warning lights. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 126, "Electronic Stability Control" and 135, "Light Vehicle Brake Systems."

Remedy

GM will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the EBCM, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin January 27, 2020. Owners may contact Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-222-1020, Cadillac customer service at 1-800-333-4223, or GMC customer service at 1-888-988-7267. GM's number for this recall is N192268090.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
CADILLAC	CT6	2019
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO 1500	2019
GMC	SIERRA 1500	2019

ABS Valve May Remain Open after ABS Event

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V904000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

Potential Number of Units Affected 600,166

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2006-2010 Ford Fusion, Mercury Milan, Lincoln Zephyr and MKZ vehicles. The valves within the ABS Hydraulic Control Units (HCU) may react with brake fluids containing specific corrosion preventative additives. This reaction may cause the valves to not close properly.

Remedy

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will flush the brake system with DOT 4 fluid and install a new brake fluid reservoir cap. In addition, the HCU will be tested to detect a possible stuck valve condition, replacing the HCU as necessary. All services will be performed free of charge. Owners will be notified of the safety risk with an interim letter on January 13, 2020. A second notice will be sent once parts are available, expected to be late in the first quarter of 2020. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 19S54.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
FORD	FUSION	2006-2010
LINCOLN	MKZ	2006-2010
LINCOLN	ZEPHYR	2006-2010
MERCURY	MILAN	2006-2010

Improper CRS Instructions in Owner's Manual

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V875000

Manufacturer Porsche Cars North America, Inc.

Components EQUIPMENT, CHILD SEAT

Potential Number of Units Affected 15,501

Summary

Porsche Cars North America, Inc. (Porsche) is recalling certain 2014 Cayman and Cayman S, 2014-2016 911 GT3, 2016 911 GT3 RS and 911 R, 2018 911 GT3 and 911 GT2 RS and 2019 911 GT3 RS, 911 GT3, and 911 GT2 RS vehicles. The Child Restraint System (CRS) instructions within the Owner's Manual may not provide enough specificity for proper installation. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 225, "Child Restraint Anchorage Systems."

Remedy

Porsche will notify owners, and dealers will provide a an Owner's Manual supplement with proper CRS installation instructions, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 9, 2020. Owners may contact Porsche customer service at 1-800-767-7243. Porsche's number for this recall is AKC0.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
PORSCHE	911 GT2 RS	2018-2019
PORSCHE	911 GT3	2014-2016, 2018-2019
PORSCHE	911 GT3 RS	2016, 2019
PORSCHE	911 R	2016
PORSCHE	CAYMAN	2014