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NHTSA Recalls of Interest November 9, 2020

Air Bag Inflator Fragments May Strike Driver

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V681000

Manufacturer Volvo Car USA LLC

Components AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected 54,124

Summary

Volvo Car USA LLC (Volvo Car) is recalling certain 2001-2003 S80 and S60 vehicles sold or ever registered in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands (Saipan), and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The driver side frontal air bag inflator may rupture, sending metal fragments into the passage compartment, when the driver side air bag is deployed.

Remedy

Volvo Car will notify send an interim notice to owners beginning January 4, 2021. A second notice will be sent to owners when parts become available during the first quarter of 2021. Dealers will replace the driver side air bag module, free of charge. Owners may contact Volvo Car customer service at 1-866-870-2046. Volvo Car's number for this recall is R10058.

Vehicles

MAKE MODEL YEAR

VOLVO S60	2001-2003
VOLVO S80	2001-2003

Tire Pressure Monitoring System Malfunction

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V635000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM, TIRES

Potential Number of Units Affected 689

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2020 Escape vehicles equipped with a key-start ignition system. The Body Control Module (BCM) intermittently may not pick up the signal from the rear Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) sensors or the Remote Key Fob. In the event of a low tire pressure condition, the TPMS system may not provide an adequate warning.

Remedy

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will replace the BCM, free of charge. Owners are advised that two key fobs are required for the repair to be completed. The recall is expected to begin November 23, 2020. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 20S59.

Vehicle

MAKE MODEL YEAR

FORD ESCAPE 2020

Driver's Seat Belt Tensioner Cable May Separate

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V638000

Manufacturer General Motors LLC

Components SEAT BELTS

Potential Number of Units Affected 1,788

Summary

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2014-2016 Chevrolet SS and Caprice Police Pursuit Vehicles (PPV) that were previously repaired under NHTSA recall number 16V-518. The repair may not have been performed properly. The driver's seat belt tensioner cable may be repeatedly bent over the seat side shield as the driver enters and exits the vehicle causing the cable to fatigue and separate.

Remedy

GM will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the vehicles to determine whether the new seat trim was installed and replace the trim as necessary. Dealers will also inspect and replace the pretensioner cable assembly, as necessary. Repairs will be performed free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 30, 2020. Owners may contact Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-222-1020. GM's number for this recall is N202312100

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
CHEVROLET	CAPRICE POLICE PURSUIT	2014-2016
CHEVROLET	SS	2014-2016

Possibly Recessed Middle Seat Belt Buckle

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V671000

Manufacturer Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

Components SEAT BELTS

Potential Number of Units Affected 55,326

Summary

Mercedes-Benz AG USA, LLC. (MBUSA) is recalling certain 2021 AMG GLE53, AMG GLE63, 2020 GLE580, 2020-2021 GLE350 and GLE450 vehicles with 5 passenger seating. While buckling the seat belt, the middle seat belt buckle could be pushed down into the gap below the seat cushion. If the buckle can't be retrieved, the buckle latch will be inoperable and unable to restrain an occupant.

Remedy

MBUSA will notify owners, and dealers will secure the middle seat belt buckle, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 29, 2020. Owners may contact MBUSA customer service at 1-800-367-6372.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
MERCEDES BENZ	GLE580	2020
MERCEDES-BENZ	AMG GLE53	2021
MERCEDES-BENZ	AMG GLE63	2021
MERCEDES-BENZ	GLE350	2020-2021
MERCEDES-BENZ	GLE450	2020-2021

Head Injury from C-Pillar Impact in a Crash

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V658000

Manufacturer Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Components STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected 94,144

Summary

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (Audi) is recalling certain 2018-2020 Audi Q7 vehicles. The padding on the vehicle's C-pillar may not absorb enough impact in the event of a crash.

Remedy

Audi will notify owners, and dealers will replace the deformation element on the C-pillars, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 23, 2020. Owners may contact Audi customer service at 1-800-253-2834. Audi's number for this recall is 70H8.

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MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
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AUDI	Q7	2018-2020
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Front Passenger Seat Missing Adjustment Limit Stop

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V673000

Manufacturer Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

Components SEATS

Potential Number of Units Affected 1,337

Summary

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC. (MBUSA) is recalling certain 2021 E350 and E450, 2019-2021 AMG E53 and 2020-2021 AMG E63 vehicles. The front passenger seat may be missing the mechanical seat adjustment range limit stop, allowing the seat to move outside of the acceptable range in relation to the air bag.

Remedy

MBUSA will notify owners, and dealers will inspect for the mechanical seat adjustment range limitation for the front passenger seat and install it if necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 29, 2020. Owners may contact MBUSA customer service at 1-800-368-6372.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
MERCEDES-BENZ	AMG E53	2019-2021
MERCEDES-BENZ	E350	2021
MERCEDES-BENZ	E450	2021
MERCEDES-BENZ	E63 AMG	2020-2021

Incorrectly Bolted Driver's Seat Frame

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V644000

Manufacturer Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Components SEATS

Potential Number of Units Affected 1

Summary

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (Audi) is recalling one 2020 Audi Q3 vehicle. The driver's seat frame may have incorrectly been bolted to the seat rail.

Remedy

Audi will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the bolt connection and, as necessary, replace the seat structure, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 18, 2020. Owners may contact Audi customer service at 1-800-253-2834. Audi's number for this recall is 72L4.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
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AUDI	Q3	2020
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