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NHTSA Recalls of Interest August 30, 2021

Side Air Bag Weld Stud May Fail/FMVSS 214

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V652000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected 592

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2021 Explorer and Lincoln Aviator vehicles. The side air bag attachment weld studs could detach during the deployment of the side air bag, resulting in an improper deployment. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 214, "Side Impact Protection".

Remedy

Dealers will replace the side air bag assemblies, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed September 7, 2021. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 21C19.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
FORD	EXPLORER	2021
LINCOLN	AVIATOR	2021

Front Seatbelt Webbing Routed Incorrectly

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V653000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components SEAT BELTS

Potential Number of Units Affected 16,430

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2021 F-150 Super Cab vehicles. The front seatbelt webbing may be incorrectly routed.

Remedy

Owners are advised to perform a preliminary self-inspection of the front seatbelts. If the passenger-side seatbelt fails inspection, owners should not use the passenger seat until the repair is performed. If the driver-side seatbelt fails inspection, owners should not drive their vehicle until the repair is performed.

Dealers will inspect the front seatbelts and, if the webbing is misrouted, will replace the seatbelt retractor and pretensioner, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed September 27, 2021. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 21C20.

Vehicle

MAKE MODEL YEAR

FORD F-150 2021

Rear Seat Belt Retractor Not Secured Properly

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V649000

Manufacturer General Motors, LLC

Components SEAT BELTS

Potential Number of Units Affected 402

Summary

General Motors, LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2016-2021 Chevrolet Malibu and 2019-2021 Cadillac XT4 vehicles. The rear seat belt retractors may be improperly secured with loose or missing fasteners.

Remedy

Dealers will inspect and tighten the rear seat belt retractors, as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed October 4, 2021. Owners may contact Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-222-1020 and Cadillac customer service at 1-800-458-8006. GM's number for this recall is N212333380.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
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CADILLAC	XT4	2019-2021
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CHEVROLET	MALIBU	2016-2021
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ESC Malfunction May Cause Loss of Vehicle Control

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V647000

Manufacturer Bentley Motors, Inc.

Components ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL

Potential Number of Units Affected 28

Summary

Bentley Motors, Inc. (Bentley) is recalling certain 2021 Bentayga vehicles. Incorrect software for the chassis control module may cause the Electronic Stability Control (ESC) system to malfunction.

Remedy

Dealers will update the chassis control module with the correct software, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed September 27, 2021. Owners may contact Bentley customer service at 1-800-777-6923. Bentley's number for this recall is Re21/31.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
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BENTLEY	BENTAYGA	2021
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Instrument Cluster Malfunction/FMVSS 101

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V664000

Manufacturer Chrysler (FCA US, LLC)

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 135

Summary

Chrysler (FCA US, LLC) is recalling certain 2021 Dodge Challenger vehicles. The affected vehicles do not illuminate their safety system status indicators sufficiently in both daylight and nighttime driving conditions. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 101, "Control and Displays."

Remedy

Dealers will re-program instrument clusters with the correct software version, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed October 15, 2021. Owners may contact FCA US LLC customer service at 1-800-853-140. FCA US LLC's number for this recall is Y58.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
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DODGE	CHALLENGER	2021
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High Voltage Battery May Catch Fire

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V560000

Manufacturer General Motors, LLC

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 57,402

Summary

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2017-2019 Chevrolet Bolt EV vehicles previously recalled under NHTSA recall number 20V-701. The high voltage battery could catch fire when charged to full or nearly full capacity.

Remedy

Defective battery modules will be replaced by GM, free of charge. Owners are advised to take the following interim steps: Activate either the Hill Top Reserve (2017 and 2018 models) or Target Charge Level (2019 models) feature in their vehicle to limit the charge level to 90%, charge their vehicle more frequently, avoid depleting the battery to 70 miles range remaining, park outside after charging, and do not charge the vehicle indoors overnight.

Interim notification letters notifying owners of the safety risk were mailed on August 13, 2021. Owner notification letters were mailed on August 13, 2021. Owners may contact the Bolt EV Concierge Team at 1-833-382-4389. GM's number for this recall is N212343880.

Vehicle

MAKE MODEL YEAR

CHEVROLET BOLT EV 2017-2019

High Voltage Battery May Catch Fire

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V650000

Manufacturer General Motors, LLC

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 52,403

Summary

General Motors, LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2020-2022 Chevrolet Bolt EV and 2022 Chevrolet Bolt EUV vehicles. The high voltage battery could catch fire when charged to full or nearly full capacity.

Remedy

Defective battery modules will be replaced by GM, free of charge. Owners are advised to take the following interim steps: Set the Target Charge Level feature in their vehicle to limit the charge level to 90%, charge their vehicle more frequently, avoid depleting the battery to 70 miles range remaining, park outside after charging, and do not charge the vehicle indoors overnight.

Interim notification letters notifying owners of the safety risk are expected to be mailed October 4, 2021. A second letter will be mailed once the final remedy is available. Owners may contact the Bolt EV Concierge Team at 1-833-382-4389. This recall is an expansion of NHTSA recall 21V-560. GM's number for this recall is N212345940.

Vehicles

MAKE MODEL YEAR

CHEVROLET BOLT EUV 2022

CHEVROLET BOLT EV 2020-2022