

NHTSA Recalls of Interest December 19, 2022

Incorrectly Installed GPS Devices

A loss of drive power can increase the risk of a crash. Additionally, a disabled bus may require an evacuation procedure in an uncontrolled traffic situation, increasing the risk of injury to passengers.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V917000

Manufacturer Volvo Bus Corporation

Components EQUIPMENT, VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL

Potential Number of Units Affected 20

Summary

Volvo Bus Corporation (Volvo Bus) is recalling certain 2022 9700 buses. The GPS devices may have been installed incorrectly, which can cause an accelerator pedal sensor malfunction and lead to an unexpected loss of drive power.

Remedy

Prevost will inspect and reinstall the GPS devices, if necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed January 31, 2023. Owners may contact Volvo Bus' customer service at 1-866-870-2046.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
VOLVO BUS	9700	2022

Loss of Steering Control from Cracked Knuckle

A loss of steering control increases the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V906000

Manufacturer Kia America, Inc.

Components STEERING

Potential Number of Units Affected 939

Summary

Kia America, Inc. (Kia) is recalling certain 2023 Forte vehicles. Due to a manufacturing error, the front left steering knuckle may crack, which can result in a loss of steering control.

Remedy

Dealers will inspect and replace the front left steering knuckle, as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed January 12, 2023. Owner may contact Kia customer service at 1-800-333-4542. Kia's number for this recall is SC259.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
KIA	FORTE	2023

Tailgate May Open While Driving

An unintended tailgate opening while driving may result in a loss of unsecured cargo, possibly creating a road hazard and increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V904000

Manufacturer Chrysler (FCA US, LLC)

Components STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected 1,234,657

Summary

Chrysler (FCA US, LLC) is recalling certain 2019-2022 Ram 1500, 2500, and 3500 pickup trucks. The tailgate may not latch properly due to misaligned tailgate strikers, which could result in the tailgate opening while driving.

Remedy

Dealers will inspect the tailgate striker alignment to the box latch and adjust, if necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed January 27, 2023. Owners may contact FCA US, LLC customer service at 1-800-853-1403. FCA US, LLC's number for this recall is ZB8.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
RAM	1500	2019-2022
RAM	2500	2019-2022
RAM	3500	2019-2022

Running Lights May Not Deactivate/FMVSS 108

DRLs that do not deactivate as intended may result in a glare, reducing visibility, and increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V903000

Manufacturer General Motors, LLC

Components EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Potential Number of Units Affected 740.108

Summary

General Motors, LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2020-2023 Cadillac CT4 and CT5; 2021-2023 Buick Envision; and 2022-2023 Cadillac Escalade and Escalade ESV, Chevrolet Silverado 1500, Suburban, Tahoe, GMC Sierra 1500, Yukon, and Yukon XL vehicles. The daytime running lights (DRLs) may not deactivate when the headlights are on. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment."

Remedy

The body control module software will be updated by a dealer, or through an over-the-air (OTA) update, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed January 23, 2023. Owners may contact GMC customer service at 1-888-988-7267, Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-222-1020, or Cadillac customer service at 1-800-458-8006. GM's number for this recall is N222386380. This recall expands previous recall number 22V-827.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
BUICK	ENVISION	2021-2023
CADILLAC	CT4	2020-2023
CADILLAC	CT5	2020-2023
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2022-2023
CADILLAC	ESCALADE ESV	2022-2023
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO 1500	2022-2023
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2022-2023
CHEVROLET	ТАНОЕ	2022-2023
GMC	SIERRA 1500	2022-2023
GMC	YUKON	2022-2023
GMC	YUKON XL	2022-2023

Improperly Fastened Ground Bolts May Cause Fire

A melting ground terminal increases the risk of a fire.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V907000

Manufacturer Subaru of America, Inc.

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 271,694

Summary

Subaru of America, Inc. (Subaru) is recalling certain 2019-2022 Ascent vehicles. The ground bolt that secures the ground terminal of the Positive Temperature Coefficient (PTC) heater may have been improperly fastened, which could result in melting of the ground terminal and surrounding components.

Remedy

Owners are advised to park their vehicle away from structures and to avoid leaving the vehicle unattended while the engine is running. An owner who notices or smells smoke coming from the dash or driver's footwell area should immediately stop operating the vehicle and turn the ignition switch to the "Off" position. Dealers will replace the PTC heater ground bolts and if necessary, replace the ground wire and the connector holder, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed February 6, 2023. Owners may contact Subaru's customer service at 1-844-373-6614. Subaru's number for this recall is WRL-22.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
SUBARU	ASCENT	2019-2022

Loose Fasteners May Cause Rear Axle Instability

A rear axle that moves side to side can cause a loss of handling and control, increasing the risk of a crash. In addition, a loose rear axle may cause vehicle instability during an evacuation in an emergency, increasing the risk of injury.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V909000

Manufacturer Navistar, Inc.

Components SUSPENSION

Potential Number of Units Affected 6,948

Summary

Navistar, Inc. (Navistar) is recalling certain 2023 IC RE, IC EV, and 2023-2024 IC CE school buses. The fasteners that connect the transverse torque arm to the rear axle housing may have been tightened incorrectly, which can allow the rear axle to shift side to side.

Remedy

Dealers will replace and tighten the fasteners, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed February 6, 2023. Owners may contact Navistar's customer service at 1-800-448-7825. Navistar's number for this recall is 22527.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
IC BUS	CE	2023-2024
IC BUS	EV	2023
IC BUS	RE	2023

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NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V910000

Manufacturer Navistar, Inc.

Components SUSPENSION

Potential Number of Units Affected 46

Summary

Navistar, Inc. (Navistar) is recalling certain 2023 IC CE and IN RE commercial buses. The fasteners that connect the transverse torque arm to the rear axle housing may have been tightened incorrectly, which can allow the rear axle to shift side to side.

Remedy

Dealers will replace and tighten the fasteners, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed February 6, 2023. Owners may contact Navistar's customer service at 1-800-448-7825. Navistar's number for this recall is 22528.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
IC BUS	CE	2023
INTERNATIONAL	RE	2023

Loose Retaining Ring May Cause Dislodged Air Strut

An air suspension strut failure may cause a loss of vehicle handling and control, increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V921000

Manufacturer Porsche Cars North America, Inc.

Components SUSPENSION

Potential Number of Units Affected 28

Summary

Porsche Cars North America, Inc. (Porsche) is recalling certain 2021 Taycan, Taycan 4S, Taycan Turbo S, Taycan 4 Cross Turismo, and Taycan 4S Cross Turismo vehicles. A retaining ring on top of the suspension strut may come loose, resulting in a dislodged strut and air loss from the strut spring.

Remedy

Dealers will inspect the suspension strut and replace it, if necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed February 10, 2023. Owners may contact Porsche's customer service at 1-800-767-7243. Porsche's number for this recall is ANB8.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
PORSCHE	TAYCAN	2021
PORSCHE	TAYCAN 4S	2021

Loose Retaining Ring May Cause Dislodged Air Strut

An air suspension strut failure may cause a loss of vehicle handling and control, increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V927000

Manufacturer Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Components SUSPENSION

Potential Number of Units Affected 96

Summary

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (Audi) is recalling certain 2022 Audi E-Tron GT vehicles. A retaining ring on top of the suspension strut may come loose, resulting air loss from the strut spring.

Remedy

Dealers will inspect the suspension strut and replace it, if necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed February 10, 2023. Owners may contact Audi's customer service at 1-800-253-2834. Audi's number for this recall is 42M4.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
AUDI	E-TRON GT	2022