

NHTSA Recalls of Interest May 8, 2023

Unsecured Transmission May Cause Rollaway

A partially engaged park pawl can result in a vehicle rollaway, increasing the risk of a crash or injury.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V301000

Manufacturer Chrysler (FCA US, LLC)

Components POWER TRAIN

Potential Number of Units Affected 165,503

Summary

Chrysler (FCA US, LLC) is recalling certain 2019-2021 Ram ProMaster vehicles equipped with a 62TE transmission. The park pawl may not fully engage the park gear due to debris inside the transmission.

Remedy

Dealers will update the powertrain control module software, and inspect and replace, as necessary, the transmission or components within the transmission, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed June 16, 2023. Owners may contact FCA US, LLC customer service at 1-800-853-1403. FCA US, LLC's number for this recall is 44A.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
RAM	PROMASTER	2019-2021

Blank LCD Display/FMVSS 101 & 138

A blank instrument cluster display will not show critical information, such as tire pressure, warning messages, and warning lights, increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V298000

Manufacturer Kia America, Inc.

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 108,936

Summary

Kia America, Inc. (Kia) is recalling certain 2023 Sportage, Sportage Hybrid, Sportage Plug-in Hybrid, Niro Hybrid, Niro Plug-in Hybrid, Soul, and Telluride vehicles equipped with a digital instrument cluster containing a 4.2" LCD screen. The instrument cluster may fail to display any information when the vehicle is started. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard numbers 101, "Control and Displays," and 138, "Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems."

Remedy

Dealers will update the instrument cluster software, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed May 26, 2023. Owners may contact Kia customer service at 1-800-333-4542. Kia's number for this recall is SC270.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
KIA	NIRO	2023
KIA	NIRO PHEV	2023
KIA	SOUL	2023
KIA	SPORTAGE	2023
KIA	SPORTAGE HYBRID	2023
KIA	SPORTAGE PHEV	2023

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
KIA	TELLURIDE	2023

Unsecured Fuse inside High Voltage Battery

Excessive heat may cause the fuse to fail and result in a loss of drive power, increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V303000

Manufacturer Chrysler (FCA US, LLC)

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 2,564

Summary

Chrysler (FCA US, LLC) is recalling certain 2022-2023 Jeep Wrangler Plug-In Hybrid Electric vehicles (PHEV). The high voltage (HV) battery pack assembly was built with incorrect fasteners to secure the 200-amp fuse, which can generate excessive heat.

Remedy

Dealers will inspect and replace the HV battery fuse, as necessary. Dealers will also inspect the battery assembly for damage and replace it, if necessary. Repairs will be performed free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed June 16, 2023. Owners may contact Chrysler customer service at 1-800-853-1403. Chrysler's number for this recall is 53A. This recall is an expansion of previous recall 22V-768.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
JEEP	WRANGLER	2022-2023

Vehicle May Understeer/FMVSS 136

Understeering during a J-turn may increase the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V299000

Manufacturer Daimler Trucks North America, LLC

Components ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL

Potential Number of Units Affected 3,452

Summary

Daimler Trucks North America, LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain short wheelbase 2020-2024 Freightliner Cascadia, Freightliner M2 Business Class, 2022 Western Star 4700, and 2020 Freightliner Classic Cascadia vehicles. The vehicle is equipped with an electronic stability control system and tire combination that may understeer during a J-turn. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 136, "Electronic Stability Control Systems on Heavy Vehicles."

Remedy

The remedy is currently under development. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed June 24, 2023. Owners may contact DTNA customer service at 1-800-547-0712. DTNA's number for this recall is FL971.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
FREIGHTLINER	BUSINESS CLASS M2	2020-2024
FREIGHTLINER	CASCADIA	2020-2024
FREIGHTLINER	CLASSIC CASCADIA	2020
WESTERN STAR	4700	2022

Loss of Drive Power from Damaged PTU

A loss of drive power can increase the risk of a crash. A loss of park function can cause an unintended vehicle rollaway which can increase the risk of a crash or injury.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V302000

Manufacturer Chrysler (FCA US, LLC)

Components POWER TRAIN

Potential Number of Units Affected 25.980

Summary

Chrysler (FCA US, LLC) is recalling certain 2016-2017 Jeep Cherokee vehicles. The power transfer unit (PTU) may become damaged and disengage the transmission and differential, resulting in a loss of drive power or loss of park function.

Remedy

FCA US LLC will notify owners, and dealers will perform a software update, free of charge. Owners may contact FCA USA LLC customer service at 1-800-853-1403. FCA's number for this recall is 45A. This recall expands previous recall number 20V-343.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
JEEP	CHEROKEE	2016-2017

Instrument Cluster Display Screen May Freeze

The loss of display information, such as the speedometer and warning lights, can increase the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V304000

Manufacturer Lordstown EV Corp

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 5

Summary

Lordstown EV Corp (Lordstown) is recalling certain 2023 Endurance vehicles. The instrument cluster display screen may freeze on initial startup and not display critical safety information.

Remedy

Dealers will update the software, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed by May 12, 2023. Owners may contact Lordstown customer service at 1-248-522-9100.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
LORDSTOWN	ENDURANCE	2023

Replacement Air Bag Inflator Incorrectly Installed

An incorrectly installed inflator may not properly inflate the passenger air bag, increasing the risk of injury during a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V306000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected 231,942

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2004-2006 Ranger vehicles that received replacement front passenger air bag inflators under a previous recall. The replacement front passenger air bag inflators may have been installed incorrectly.

Remedy

Dealers will inspect and reinstall the front passenger air bag inflator, as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed May 22, 2023. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 23S08. This recall expands and replaces previous recall number 23V-125.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
FORD	RANGER	2004-2006

High-Voltage Battery Software Error/FMVSS 305

A high-voltage battery monitoring system that does not alert the driver of a battery malfunction may increase the risk of a crash, injury, or fire.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V309000

Manufacturer Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 3,823

Summary

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) is recalling certain 2023 EQE 350, S580e, 2022-2023 EQS 450, EQS 580, 2022 AMG EQS 53, and EQS 450+ vehicles. The high-voltage battery monitoring system software may not alert the driver of a battery malfunction. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 305, "Electric-powered vehicles: Electrolyte Spillage and Electrical Shock Protection."

Remedy

Dealers will update the battery management system software, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed June 27, 2023. Owners may contact MBUSA customer service at 1-800-367-6372.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
MERCEDES-BENZ	AMG EQS53	2022
MERCEDES-BENZ	EQE 350	2023
MERCEDES-BENZ	EQS 450+	2022
MERCEDES-BENZ	EQS450	2022-2023
MERCEDES-BENZ	EQS580	2022-2023
MERCEDES-BENZ	S580E	2023