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NHTSA Recalls of Interest

October 16, 2023

Side Air Bag May Deploy Improperly

The driver's side impact air bag could deploy improperly or detach in a crash, increasing the risk of injury.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V671000

Manufacturer Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Components AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected 2

Summary

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (Volkswagen) is recalling certain 2019 Atlas vehicles. The driver's side impact air bag may be missing a weld at the side air bag housing.

Remedy

Dealers will replace the driver's side impact air bag, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed December 1, 2023. Owners may contact Volkswagen's customer service at 1-800-893-5298. Volkswagen's number for this recall is 69FK.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
VOLKSWAGEN	ATLAS	2019

Roof Rail Air Bag Inflator May Rupture

An inflator that ruptures may partially inflate the air bag and cause sharp metal fragments to enter or exit the vehicle, increasing the risk of an injury.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V674000

Manufacturer General Motors, LLC

Components AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected 9,264

Summary

General Motors, LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2014 Buick Verano and Chevrolet Cruze vehicles. The left and/or right-side roof-rail air bag (RRAB) inflators located on the roof rails above the headliner, may rupture at the inflator weld joint.

Remedy

Dealers will replace the left and/or right-side RRAB modules, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed November 6, 2023. Owners may contact Buick customer service at 1-800-521-7300 or Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-222-1020. GM's number for this recall is N232408490.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
BUICK	VERANO	2014
CHEVROLET	CRUZE	2014

Vehicle Rollaway from Driveshaft Disconnect

A disconnected driveshaft can result in a loss of drive power or a vehicle rollaway if the parking brake is not applied. Either of these scenarios can increase the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V675000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components POWER TRAIN

Potential Number of Units Affected 238,364

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2020-2022 Explorer vehicles. The rear axle horizontal mounting bolt may fracture and cause the driveshaft to disconnect.

Remedy

Dealers will replace the subframe bushing and rear axle bolt. They will also inspect the rear axle cover for damage near the bolt hole location and replace with a new cover if any damage is found. Repairs will be performed free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed November 6, 2023. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-8669-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 23S55.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
FORD	EXPLORER	2020-2022

Incorrect Child Seat Anchor Covers/FMVSS 225

Incorrect child seat anchor covers may result in a child restraint system being installed incorrectly, increasing the risk of injury.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V677000

Manufacturer Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC

Components CHILD SEAT

Potential Number of Units Affected 1

Summary

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) is recalling one 2022 EQB 350 vehicle. Incorrect child seat anchor covers may have been installed on the second-row seat. As such, this vehicle fails to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 225, "Child Restraint Anchorage Systems."

Remedy

Dealers will replace the child seat anchor covers, free of charge. An owner notification letter is expected to be mailed December 5, 2023. Owners may contact MBUSA customer service at 1-800-367-6372.

Vehicle

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
MERCEDES-BENZ	EQB350	2022

Improperly Secured Electrical Wiring Harness

A loss of drive power can increase the risk of a crash, and an overheated electrical wiring harness can increase the risk of a fire.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V676000

Manufacturer Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 5,326

Summary

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) is recalling certain 2022-2023 AMG SL55 and AMG SL63 vehicles. The electrical wiring harness for the starter and alternator may not be secured properly, which can result in a short circuit and a loss of drive power or cause the harness to overheat.

Remedy

Dealers will secure the electrical wiring harness for the starter and alternator, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed December 5, 2023. Owners may contact MBUSA customer service at 1-800-367-6372.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
MERCEDES-BENZ	AMG SL55	2022-2023
MERCEDES-BENZ	AMG SL63	2022-2023
