

# NHTSA Recalls of Interest December 21, 2015

## **RECALL Subject: Liftgate Module Short due to Water Leak**

Report Receipt Date: DEC 09, 2015 NHTSA Campaign Number: 15V826000

Component(s): ELECTRICAL SYSTEM, STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 32,784

Vehicle Make Model Year(s)

• JEEP CHEROKEE 2015-2016

Manufacturer: Chrysler (FCA US LLC)

## **SUMMARY:**

Chrysler (FCA US LLC) is recalling certain model year 2015-2016 Jeep Cherokee vehicles manufactured February 18, 2015, to September 10, 2015 and equipped with the power liftgate option. In the affected vehicles, water may leak into the Power Liftgate Control Module and result in a high resistance short circuit.

## **CONSEQUENCE:**

A short circuit in the module increases the risk of a fire.

### **REMEDY:**

Chrysler will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the module and connectors for corrosion, replacing the damaged components as necessary. The mastic shield will be removed and the

module will be covered with a water shield. These repairs will be performed free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

## **RECALL Subject: Air Bag Deployment may be Delayed due to Corrosion**

**Report Receipt Date:** DEC 04, 2015 **NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V815000

Component(s): AIR BAGS, ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

**Potential Number of Units Affected: 25,185** 

Vehicle Make Model Year(s)

• MITSUBISHI MIRAGE 2014-2015

Manufacturer: Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

### **SUMMARY:**

Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. (MMNA) is recalling certain model year 2014-2015 Mitsubishi Mirage vehicles manufactured August 7, 2013, to September 2, 2015 and originally sold in, or ever registered in, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and District of Columbia. If the driver enters an affected vehicle with their boots covered with snow mixed with road salt, the melting snow may soak through the carpet and cause corrosion to a wiring connector located in a junction box behind a kick panel to the left of the driver's footrest.

## **CONSEQUENCE:**

In the event of a crash, corrosion of the connector could delay deployment of the frontal air bags, increasing the risk of injury to the driver and the front seat passenger.

#### **REMEDY:**

MMNA will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the affected connectors, replacing any found to be corroded. A waterproof sheet will be installed over the connectors to prevent future corrosion. These repairs will be performed free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

## RECALL Subject : Seat Belt Retractor Failure/FMVSS 209

**Report Receipt Date:** DEC 07, 2015 **NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V820000

**Component(s):** SEAT BELTS

**Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,364** 

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• GEM	E2	2015
• GEM	E4	2015
• GEM	E4S	2015
• GEM	E6	2015
• GEM	E6S	2015
• GEM	EL	2015
• GEM	ELXD	2015
• GEM	ES	2015

Manufacturer: Polaris Industries, Inc.

### **SUMMARY:**

Polaris Industries, Inc. (Polaris) is recalling certain model year 2015 GEM EL, ES, E4, E4S, ELXD, E6, E6S, and E2 vehicles manufactured December 15, 2014, to August 25, 2015. The KSS seat belts in the affected vehicles have retractor mechanisms that may fail, causing the seat belt to be stuck in one position. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 209, "Seat Belt Assemblies."

## **CONSEQUENCE:**

If the seat belt does not retract or extend, the seat occupant may not be properly secured in the event of a crash, increasing their risk of injury.

#### **REMEDY:**

GEM will notify owners, and dealers will replace the seat belt assemblies, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in December 2015.

## **RECALL Subject: Side Curtain Air Bags may be Out of Position**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 23, 2015 **NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V787000

**Component(s):** AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 13

Vehicle Make Model Model Year(s)

• ROLLS-ROYCE PHANTOM 2015-2016

Manufacturer: BMW of North America, LLC

## **SUMMARY:**

BMW of North America, LLC (BMW) is recalling certain model year 2015-2016 Rolls-Royce Phantom vehicles manufactured May 22, 2015, to September 23, 2015. The affected vehicles have left and right side curtain air bags that may not have been manufactured properly.

## **CONSEQUENCE:**

As a result of the improper manufacturing, the ZF/TRW air bags may not position themselves as intended during deployment, increasing the risk of occupant injury in the event of a vehicle crash.

#### **REMEDY:**

Rolls-Royce will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and replace the side curtain air bags, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin January 11, 2016.