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## NHTSA Recalls of Interest December 16, 2013

### RECALL Subject : Front Seat Occupant Protection Mat

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 12, 2013

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 13V564000

**Component(s):** AIR BAGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 76,565

Vehicle	MakeModel	Model Year(s)
• BMW	325I	2006
• BMW	325XI	2006
• BMW	328I	2007
• BMW	328XI	2007
• BMW	330I	2006
• BMW	330XI	2006
• BMW	335I	2007
• BMW	335XI	2007
• BMW	525I	2006-2007
• BMW	525XI	2006-2007
• BMW	530I	2006-2007
• BMW	530XI	2006-2007
• BMW	550I	2006-2007
• BMW	750I	2006-2007
• BMW	750LI	2006-2007
• BMW	760I	2006
• BMW	760LI	2006-2007
• BMW	X5	2006

**Manufacturer:** BMW of North America, LLC

#### SUMMARY:

BMW of North America LLC (BMW) is recalling certain model year 2006 325i, 325xi, 330i, 330xi sedans and 325xi sports wagons, model year 2007 328i, 328xi, 335i, 335xi sedans and 328i and 328xi sports wagons, model year 2006-2007 525i,

525xi, 530i, 530xi, 550i sedans and 530xi sports wagons, model year 2006 760i sedans, model year 2006-2007 750i, 750Li, and 760Li sedans, and model year 2006 X5 sports activity vehicles, equipped with certain seat types. The front passenger seat occupant detection mat that determines if and how the passenger frontal air bag should deploy in a crash may fatigue and develop cracks which could lead to a system failure.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

Should the system fail, in the event of a crash, the front passenger air bag would be deactivated, increasing the risk of personal injury.

**REMEDY:**

BMW will notify owners with an interim notification letter in January 2014 since parts are not currently available. When parts are available, anticipated to be in March 2014, BMW will send a second letter and dealers will repair the occupant detection mat to eliminate the possibility that it may crack, free of charge. Additionally, owners of model year 2006-2007 3 Series with standard seats, 5 Series with comfort seats, and Z4 models, will receive an extended warranty on their front passenger seat occupant detection mat.

**RECALL Subject : Brake Application and Release Timing/FMVSS 121**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 18, 2013  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 13V573000  
**Component(s):** SERVICE BRAKES  
**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 18

	Vehicle	MakeModel	Model Year(s)
•	KENWORTH T	800	2007-2014
•	KENWORTH W	900	2007-2014

**Manufacturer:** PACCAR Incorporated

**SUMMARY:**

PACCAR is recalling certain model year 2007-2014 Kenworth T800 and W900 trucks manufactured March 22, 2006, through July 15, 2013 and equipped with Primaax tridem rear suspensions and a pusher and/or tag axle. The affected trucks have brake chambers that take longer to apply or release the brakes than the required time limit. Thus, these vehicles fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 121, "Air Brake Systems."

**CONSEQUENCE:**

Brakes that take longer to apply may lengthen the distance needed to stop the truck, increasing the risk of a crash.

**REMEDY:**

PACCAR will notify owners, and dealers will modify the air brake system, free of charge. The recall will begin by mid-January.

**RECALL Subject : Software may Disable Steering in Cold Temperatures**

**Report Receipt Date:** NOV 20, 2013  
**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 13V588000  
**Component(s):** STEERING  
**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 23

	Vehicle	MakeModel	Model Year(s)
•	INFINITI	Q50	2014

**Manufacturer:** Nissan North America, Inc.

**SUMMARY:**

Nissan North America, Inc.'s (Nissan) is recalling certain model year 2014 Infiniti Q50 vehicles equipped with Direct Adaptive Steering. The affected vehicles received a power steering software version that, should the engine compartment reach freezing temperatures, the power steering software may disable the electric steering system and also may delay the engagement of the mechanical steering backup system.

**CONSEQUENCE:**

The disablement of the steering systems could result in a loss of steering, increasing the risk of a crash.

**REMEDY:**

Nissan notified owners and arranged to have vehicles towed to the nearest Infiniti retailer. Customers were instructed not to drive their vehicles until they were repaired. Infiniti retailers provided affected customers with loaner vehicles, while the software update remedy was applied. These services were provided at no cost to the customer.