



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215SM
14V-817

Subject: Driver Side Frontal Air Bag Inflator may Rupture

Dear Mr. Hartnagel:

This letter serves to acknowledge Chrysler Group LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

CHRYSLER/300/2005-2007
CHRYSLER/300C/2005-2007
CHRYSLER/ASPEN/2007
CHRYSLER/SRT8/2005-2007
DODGE/CHARGER/2005-2007
DODGE/DAKOTA/2005-2007
DODGE/DURANGO/2004-2007
DODGE/MAGNUM/2005-2007
DODGE/RAM 1500/2004-2007
DODGE/RAM 2500/2005-2007
DODGE/RAM 3500/2006-2007
MITSUBISHI/RAIDER/2006-2007

Mfr's Report Date: December 23, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-817

Components:

AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 2,890,785

Problem Description:

Chrysler Group LLC (Chrysler) is recalling certain model year 2004-2007 Dodge Ram 1500 and Durango, 2005-2007 Dodge Ram 2500, Charger, Magnum, Dakota, Chrysler 300, 300C, SRT8, 2006-2007 Dodge Ram 3500 and Mitsubishi Raider, and 2007 Chrysler Aspen. Upon deployment of the driver side frontal air bag, excessive internal pressure may cause the inflator to rupture.

Consequence:

In the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the driver side frontal air bag, the inflator could rupture with metal fragments striking and potentially seriously injuring the vehicle occupants.



Remedy:

Chrysler will notify owners, and dealers will replace the driver side frontal air bag inflator, free of charge. Some of the vehicles included in this recall were recalled under safety recall 14V-354, and that addresses vehicles sold, or currently registered, in Florida, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Owners of those vehicles were notified earlier in December 2014. Chrysler has not determined a date for notifying the remaining owners of vehicles included in this national recall campaign. Owners may contact Chrysler customer service at 1-800-853-1403. Chrysler's number for this recall is P81.

Note: This recall supersedes, in part, safety recall 14V-354 as to the driver's air bag inflators on the vehicles included in this recall.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

This recall was the subject of a preliminary evaluation, PE14-016, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

Concurrent with its filing of this defect information report, Chrysler filed an amended report in safety recall 14V-354 that added several makes and models to that campaign, but that Chrysler also included in this recall campaign. Please confirm that those vehicles are being addressed through this recall campaign, and that quarterly completion reporting for those vehicles will be conducted in this recall campaign, and not in 14V-354. Please file an amended report verifying this information and requesting those vehicles be removed from 14V-354, together with an adjusted population figure as appropriate.

We note that Chrysler did not include the 2003 Dodge Ram 1500 in this recall. Chrysler did include that vehicle in its limited regional recall 14V-354 as to its driver's air bag, and was more recently included in Chrysler's regional recall 14V-770 as to its passenger bag. Please confirm that this vehicle continues to be included in 14V-354 as to its driver's air bag. If it is not, please explain why it is no longer being covered by this recall or 14V-354 as to the driver's air bag.

We further note that Chrysler's submission on 14V-354 appears to remove all of the 2008 models that were previously included in that limited regional recall. Please confirm that this is correct and file an amended report in that recall that corroborates that information, requests the agency remove those vehicles from that recall, and that adjusts the recall population accordingly.

We have received Chrysler's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

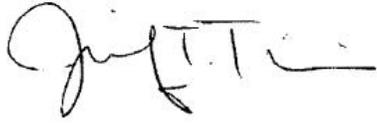
Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Sarah Mcshane who may be reached by phone at 202-366-7401, or by email at sarah.mcshane@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement