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

OFFICE OF DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE23008
Prompted By: VOQ Review
Date Opened: 05/01/2023
Date Closed: 08/15/2024
Investigator: Daniel Pinero
Reviewer: Bruce York-B
Approver: Tanya Topka
Subject: Vehicle entrapment

MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: Chrysler (FCA US, LLC)
Products: 2009 Dodge Journey AWD, 2009 Dodge Journey
Population: 82,440

Problem Description: Inoperative door locks and windows may prevent vehicle occupants from exiting the vehicle during an emergency

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	EWR D&I	Other	Total	EWR Field Reports
All Incidents:	1	5	0	0	5*	0
Crashes/Fires:	1	1	0	0	1*	0
Injury Incidents:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of Injuries:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fatality Incidents:	1	1	0	0	1*	0
Number of Fatalities:	1	1	0	0	1*	0

Description of Other:

*Total eliminates duplicates received by the manufacturer

ACTION/SUMMARY INFORMATION

Action: This (PE) Preliminary Evaluation has been upgraded to an Engineering Analysis.

Summary:

The Office of Defects Investigation (ODI) opened PE23008 on May 1, 2023 to investigate an incident involving a 2009 Dodge Journey alleging occupant entrapment during a vehicle fire that resulted in a fatality. During this investigation, ODI collected information and evidence related to the defect allegation and incident, from the manufacturer and involved parties. The information and evidence collected in this initial phase was insufficient to make a defect determination. ODI has upgraded this investigation to an Engineering Analysis (EA24003) to develop a more comprehensive understanding of whether a potential safety defect exists.
To review the ODI report cited in the Opening Resume ODI Report Identification Number document, go to NHTSA.gov.