

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE24021 Prompted By: VOQ Review Date Opened: 08/07/2024

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Subject: Inadvertent Seat Belt Unlatch

MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: Hyundai Motor America

Products: 2020-2023 Hyundai Palisade

Population: 332,288 (Estimated)

Problem Without warning, the seat belt may inadvertently unlatch, increasing the

Description: risk of injury due to full loss of seat belt protection.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY ODI Manufacturer EWR D&I Other Total **EWR Field Reports** All Incidents: 37 0 0 0 0 37 Crashes/Fires: 0 0 0 0 0 0 Injury 0 0 0 0 0 0 Incidents: **Number of** 0 0 0 0 0 0 **Injuries: Fatality** 0 0 0 0 0 0 Incidents: **Number of** 0 0 0 0 0 0 **Fatalities:**

ACTION/SUMMARY INFORMATION

Action: Open this Preliminary Investigation (PE)

Summary:

The Office of Defects Investigation (ODI) has received 37 complaints alleging inadvertent unlatching of seat belts in model year (MY) 2020-2023 Hyundai Palisade vehicles manufactured by Hyundai Motor America. The complaints allege that without warning, the seat belts sometimes inadvertently unlatch, increasing the risk of injury due to full loss of seat belt protection in the event of a crash.

ODI is opening this Preliminary Evaluation (PE) to determine the scope and severity of the alleged problem and to assess the potential safety-related consequences. To review the ODI reports cited in the Opening Resume ODI Report Identification Number document, go to NHTSA.gov.

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