



November 18, 2013

Ms. Nancy L. Lewis
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave. S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Ms. Lewis:

Reference: NHTSA Identification Number 13V-038

Enclosed are representative copies of communications relating to the 2009-2012 model year vehicles involved in the referenced recall. Chrysler notified dealers on April 1, 2013 and completed the owner notification mailing on November 7, 2013. The exact number of vehicles involved in the recall is 278,229 in the United States and 682 in the United States Territories.

This completes Chrysler's package of information for this recall as required by the Defects Report Regulation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristin Kolodge".

Kristin J. Kolodge
Regulatory Affairs – Product Investigations & Campaigns

Enclosure: Dealer and Owner Letter for Recall N08

cc: F. Borris



IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

Rear Axle Pinion Nut
N08/NHTSA 13V-038

This notice applies to your vehicle (VIN: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx).

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Dear: (Name)

Chrysler has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in some **2009 through 2012 model year RAM truck (1500 series) and Dodge Dakota; and 2009 Dodge Durango and Chrysler Aspen vehicles.**

The problem is... The rear axle pinion nut on your vehicle may loosen due to undersized pinion shaft splines. A loose pinion nut could cause the rear axle to seize or cause the driveshaft to separate resulting in a loss of motive power. Either situation could cause a crash without warning.

What your dealer will do... Chrysler will repair your vehicle free of charge (parts and labor). To do this, your dealer will inspect the rear axle pinion nut and install a pinion nut retainer ring. The pinion nut inspection and pinion nut retainer ring installation will take about ½ hour to complete. If rear axle recondition is required and additional 5 hours will be required. However, additional time may be necessary depending on service schedules.

What you must do to ensure your safety... Simply contact your Chrysler, Jeep, or Dodge dealer right away to schedule a service appointment. Ask the dealer to hold the parts for your vehicle or to order them before your appointment. **Please bring this letter with you to your dealer.**

If you need help... If you have questions or concerns which your dealer is unable to resolve, please contact the Chrysler Group Recall Assistance Center at 1-800-853-1403.

Please help us update our records by filling out the attached prepaid postcard if any of the conditions listed on the card apply to you or your vehicle. You may also update this information on the web at www.chrysler.com/ownersreg or www.dodge.com/ownersreg or www.ramtrucks.com/ownersreg.

If you have already experienced this condition and have paid to have it repaired, please send your original receipts and/or other adequate proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement: Chrysler Customer Assistance, P.O. Box 21-8007, Auburn Hills, MI 48321-8007, Attention: Reimbursement. Once we receive and verify the required documents, reimbursement will be sent to you within 60 days.

If your dealer fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We're sorry for any inconvenience, but we are sincerely concerned about your safety. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Customer Services / Field Operations
Chrysler Group LLC

Note to lessors receiving this recall: Federal regulation requires that you forward this recall notice to the lessee within 10 days.