



May 22, 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-120

Enclosed is a representative copy of a communication relating to the 2012 model year vehicles involved in the referenced recall. Chrysler expects to notify owners with an interim letter on May 30, 2013.

The exact number of The Experian Automotive Company currently registered vehicles in the recall is 20,799.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristin J. Kolodge".

Kristin J. Kolodge
Regulatory Affairs – Product Investigations & Campaigns

Enclosure: Advanced Field Action Communication and Interim Owner Letter for Recall N17

cc: F. Borris



**SAFETY RECALL N17 / NHTSA 13V-120
FUEL TANK TRANSFER TUBE**

Dear: (Name)

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

Chrysler has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in some **2012 model year Jeep® Compass and Patriot vehicles equipped with a 2.4L engine and 4x4.**

The problem is... The fuel tank transfer tube on your vehicle (VIN: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx) may have been incorrectly manufactured. When the fuel transfer process becomes interrupted, the vehicle is only operating on fuel from the primary side of the fuel tank. Sustained driving during this condition will deplete the fuel in the primary side of the fuel tank while fuel remains in the secondary side of the fuel tank. This could cause the engine to stall without warning under certain driving conditions and cause a crash without warning.

What Chrysler is doing... Chrysler intends to repair your vehicle free of charge (parts and labor). The parts required to provide a permanent remedy for this condition are currently not available. Chrysler is making all reasonable efforts to obtain these parts as quickly as possible. Chrysler will contact you again by mail, with a follow-up recall notice, when the remedy parts are available.

What you must do to ensure your safety... Once you receive your follow-up recall notice in the mail, 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.

In the meantime, you can reduce the risk of experiencing the engine stall condition by not allowing the fuel gauge to drop below the ½ tank reading.

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.

California residents... The State of California requires the completion of emission recall repairs prior to vehicle registration renewal. Your dealer will provide you with a Vehicle Emission Recall Proof of Correction Form after the recall service is performed. Be sure to save this form since the California Department of Motor Vehicles may require that you supply it as proof that the recall has been performed.

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.jeep.com/ownersreg

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04/04/2013

New Safety Recall Advanced Communication – N17040413

Chrysler Group LLC (Chrysler) announced a safety recall on certain 2012 model year:

- **(MK49) Jeep Compass (4x4 only & 2.4L engine)**
- **(MK74) Jeep Patriot (4x4 only & 2.4L engine)**

The above vehicles are equipped with a saddle style fuel tank and may experience a condition where the transfer of fuel from the secondary side of the fuel tank to the primary side of the fuel tank is interrupted. This could cause the engine to stall without warning under certain driving conditions.

Chrysler will conduct a voluntary safety recall on all affected vehicles to replace the fuel tank internal fuel transfer tube.

Dealers will be notified of the launch of this safety recall by way of established methods used in the past.

We ask that you please take the time to ensure that your personnel are aware of this communication and are prepared to execute a customer friendly process for inquiries on involved vehicles.

Customer Services Field Operations
Chrysler Group LLC