

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**15V-656****Manufacturer Name :** Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing**Submission Date :** OCT 13,2015**NHTSA Recall No. :** 15V-656**Manufacturer Recall No. :** F0T**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufact

Address : 19001 South Western Avenue

Torrance CA 90501

Company phone : 1-800-331-4331

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 306

Estimated percentage with defect : 0

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle : 2016-2016 Toyota Tacoma

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Only the involved vehicles produced by TMMBC are equipped with the affected bolts. Tacoma vehicles produced at Toyota Motor Manufacturing Texas utilize a different vehicle assembly process.

Production Dates : AUG 20, 2015 - SEP 10, 2015

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The subject vehicles are equipped with a driver's knee airbag module that is attached to the instrument panel reinforcement by four bolts. During vehicle assembly at the TMMBC plant, there is a possibility that incorrect bolts with lower strength were installed. This could result in the bolts loosening over time. A loosened bolt could affect the performance of the knee airbag, increasing the risk of injury during a crash.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : A loosened bolt could affect the performance of the knee airbag, increasing the risk of injury during a crash.

Description of the Cause : NR**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

September 11, 2015

TMMBC discovered the assembly process for the driver's knee airbag installation was using the incorrect bolt. Affected vehicles were contained and corrected while in Toyota's possession; however, some vehicles had been sold and transported to dealers.

September 14 – October 1 2015

An investigation was conducted to understand the potential effect of using the incorrect bolt.

October 7, 2015

Based on the above investigation, Toyota decided to conduct a voluntary safety recall campaign on the subject vehicles.

As of October 5, 2015, Toyota is not aware of injuries or fatalities caused by this condition. No Toyota field reports or warranty claims have been received.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : All known owners of the subject vehicles will be notified by first class mail to return their vehicles to a Toyota dealer to have the bolts replaced with ones of the correct specification. As the owner notification letters will be mailed out well within the active period of the Toyota New Vehicle Limited Warranty ("Warranty"), all involved vehicle owners for this recall would have been provided a repair at no cost under Toyota's Warranty.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Notifications to owners will occur by December 12, 2015. A copy of the draft owner notification letter(s) will be submitted as soon as available.

Notifications to distributors/dealers were sent on October 12, 2015. Copies of dealer communications will be submitted as they are issued.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

* NR - Not Reported