

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****15V-794****Manufacturer Name :** Subaru of America, Inc.**Submission Date :** DEC 10, 2015**NHTSA Recall No. :** 15V-794**Manufacturer Recall No. :** WQV-57**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Subaru of America, Inc.

Address : P.O. Box 6000

Cherry Hill NJ 08034-6000

Company phone : 856-488-8500

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 3,251

Estimated percentage with defect : 0

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle : 2016-2016 Subaru Legacy

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 4-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Due to a possible improper tightening procedure, the nuts securing the propeller shaft to the rear differential may loosen over time which may result in the propeller shaft coming loose from the rear differential.

Production Dates : OCT 24, 2015 - NOV 16, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2016-2016 Subaru Outback

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Due to a possible improper tightening procedure, the nuts securing the propeller shaft to the rear differential may loosen over time which may result in the propeller shaft coming loose from the rear differential.

Production Dates : OCT 24, 2015 - NOV 17, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : Subaru of America, Inc. (Subaru) is recalling certain 2016 model year Subaru Legacy and Outback vehicles.

Due to a possible improper tightening procedure, the nuts securing the propeller shaft to the rear differential may loosen over time which may result in the propeller shaft coming loose from the rear differential.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If the propeller shaft detaches from the differential, the shaft could strike the fuel tank resulting in a possible fuel leak. There is a risk of fire if leaking fuel were to come in contact with an ignition source. This could happen without prior warning.

Description of the Cause : During assembly, the fastening nut which tightens the propeller shaft to the rear differential may have been incorrectly torqued due to improper use of the torque wrench and incorrect contact of the socket to the nut.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

**Supplier Identification :**

**Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

**Chronology :**

November 17, 2015: During random vehicle inspection, Subaru of Indiana Automotive, Inc. (SIA) found inadequately fastened torque in the area of tightened part between propeller shaft and rear differential.

November 20, 2015: FHI concluded that Subaru will perform a safety recall in the U.S. market.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : The remedy plan calls for dealers to inspect the nuts fastening the propeller shaft to the rear differential and tighten or replace the nuts and bolts as necessary. These repairs will be performed free of charge.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

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

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : NR

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NOV 20, 2015 - NOV 20, 2015

Planned Owner Notification Date : DEC 10, 2015 - DEC 10, 2015

\* NR - Not Reported