



Defect Information Report

Maserati S.p.A. has determined that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain model year 2016 Maserati Granturismo and Granturismo convertible vehicles. Maserati North America, Inc. (MNA) is providing this notification to your office in accordance with **49 C.F.R. Part 573**.

Maserati S.p.A. and MNA have determined that the above described vehicles were manufactured with a main fuel delivery line which was not galvanized treated. A non-galvanized treated main fuel delivery line will be susceptible to corrosion. Through normal vehicle use and exposure to the elements, especially during the winter months where road-salt will be used for de-icing of the roadways, a non-galvanized main fuel delivery line will corrode and can leak fuel. If the leaked fuel comes into contact with an ignition source there is potential for a vehicle fire.

As noted below, a total of **33** vehicles are affected. Of the 33, 4 vehicles were delivered to customers, and 29 remain in dealer inventory. **Maserati through an overabundance of caution has proactively ordered an immediate stop-sale of these vehicles.**

The information, to the extent currently available to MNA follows:

1. **Manufacturer's Name and Address.**

Maserati North America, Inc.
250 Sylvan Avenue
Englewood Cliffs, N.J. 07632

2. **Identification of Vehicles Potentially Containing the Defect.**

The affected vehicles consist of certain model year 2016 Maserati Granturismo and Granturismo Convertible vehicles. Please note the following affected VIN's (the red field indicates the 4 vehicles which were delivered to customers, and the yellow field indicates the vehicles in dealer inventory):

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Market	Vehicle	Complete VIN
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Convertible MC MY16	ZAM45VMA0G0175793
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA5G0175810
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA9G0175809
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA2G0175814
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Convertible MY16	ZAM45MMA7G0173288
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA1G0176680
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA2G0177451
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA3G0176695
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA3G0177460
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA3G0177488
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Aut. MC Centenario MY16	ZAM45VLA4G0167391
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA4G0174101
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA5G0177458
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA6G0177467
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA6G0177484
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA7G0176697
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA7G0177462
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA8G0177485
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA9G0174093
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Convertible SP MY16	ZAM45VMA4G0173254
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Convertible SP MY16	ZAM45VMA4G0177496
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Convertible SP MY16	ZAM45VMA7G0177492
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA0G0170322
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA1G0175142
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA2G0174100
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA2G0176672
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA4G0174096
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Sport Auto MY16	ZAM45VLA7G0174108
U.S.A.	GranTurismo 4.7 Aut MC MY16	ZAM45VLA8G0170620
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Convertible SP MY16	ZAM45VMA0G0173235
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Convertible MC MY16	ZAM45VMA4G0173223
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Convertible SP MY16	ZAM45VMA7G0176696
U.S.A.	GranTurismo Convertible SP MY16	ZAM45VMA8G0175797

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3. Total Number of Vehicles.

The total population of model year 2016 Maserati Granturismo and Granturismo Convertible vehicles potentially in the affected VIN range is **33**.

4. Approximate percentage of vehicles Estimated to Contain the Defect.

Potentially 100% of all units within the affected VIN range may contain the defect.

5. Description of the Defect.

The defect has been identified as the main fuel delivery line which was not galvanized treated. A non-galvanized treated main fuel delivery line will be susceptible to corrosion.

Through normal vehicle use and exposure to the elements, especially during the winter months where road-salt will be used for de-icing of the roadways, a non-galvanized treated main fuel delivery line can leak fuel. If the leaked fuel comes into contact with an ignition source there is potential for a vehicle fire.

6. Chronology of Events leading to this Defect Determination.

Maserati S.p.A. and Maserati North America, Inc. have not received any field reports or warranty claims/reports regarding this issue. Please note the following chronology of events:

- a. From November 26, 2015 through November 27, 2015, during vehicle final assembly, it was discovered upon visual inspection that the main fuel delivery line was not being galvanized, as evidenced by a distinctive galvanization color to the fuel line. Concurrently, Maserati opened an investigation and contacted the supplier regarding the main delivery fuel line.
- b. On the same day, the supplier verified that a batch of main delivery fuel lines had not been galvanized. Maserati proceeded to identify the batch stock and separate out the potentially defective components found in the parts warehouse for the vehicle assembly line. Additionally, vehicles in the yard were placed on hold and those found to be equipped with the defective component were ordered to be reworked immediately. It was confirmed that potentially the batch affected the September to November 2015 production.
- c. On November 27, 2015, Maserati S.p.A. confirmed that 33 vehicles with the non-galvanized treated main delivery fuel line had been shipped.
- d. **On December 1, 2015 Maserati North America, Inc. initiated an immediate stop sale order to the dealer network.**

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- e. Maserati North America, Inc. began its investigation on the same day. Through this investigation, it was identified and confirmed that 29 of the 33 vehicles shipped were in dealer inventory.
- f. From December 2, 2015 through December 12, 2015, Maserati S.p.A. and Maserati North America, Inc. continued its internal investigation to ensure that affected vehicles were correctly identified and contained. This internal investigation included a check of previous port shipments from the factory. On December 12, 2015, it was confirmed that 4 vehicles were previously delivered to customers.

7. Test Results and Other Information.

Supplier: Dytech Automotive – Dynamic Fluid Technologies S.p.A., Via Torino, 71-75 10060 Airasca (TO) Italy. Tel: +39 0119908019. Contact person: Giuliano Zucco

8. Description of Proposed Remedy.

The remedy for the affected vehicles involves the replacement of the complete main delivery fuel line. Maserati North America, Inc. has already begun the process of contacting the 4 customers to return the vehicles to authorized Maserati dealers (this was completed on December 15, 2015). The remaining 29 vehicles in dealer inventory are on **stop sale** in dealer possession until the main delivery fuel line is replaced.

9. Campaign Schedule and Draft Notices.

In addition to contacting the customers via telephone (which was completed on December 15, 2015), MNA will send a customer notification to the 4 customers. MNA has assigned this action an internal Maserati number of **300**.

10. Representative Copies of Notifications that Relate to the Defect and Have Been Sent to More than One Manufacturer, Distributor, Dealer, or Purchaser.

Other than the immediate stop sale notification to the affected dealers of the 29 vehicles, there are no notices, bulletins or other communications that relate directly to the defect and have been sent by MNA to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser.

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Should you have questions concerning this submission, please contact me at your earliest convenience at 201-816-2638.

Sincerely,

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