

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**16V-045****Manufacturer Name :** Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.**Submission Date :** JAN 27, 2016**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-045**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 69M1 Audi - 69L9 VW**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Address : 3800 Hamlin Road

Auburn Hills MI 48326

Company phone : 1-800-822-8987

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 734

Estimated percentage with defect : 100

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Volkswagen Tiguan

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Seat-Mounted Side Airbags (there are 146 affected 2015 MY Tiguan vehicles).

Production Dates : JAN 15, 2015 - JAN 21, 2015

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : WVGBV7AX0FW074308

End : WVGAV7AX6FW571164

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Audi Q5

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Seat-Mounted Side Airbags (there are 588 affected 2015 MY Audi Q5 vehicles).

Production Dates : JAN 13, 2015 - FEB 03, 2015

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : WA1CFAFPXFA087439

End : WA1WMAFP5FA089117

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The driver and right front passenger seat-mounted side airbags may contain a manufacturing defect that may result in an airbag inflator fracture during a crash where there is a side airbag deployment. If this happens, airbag inflator components could to be propelled into the passenger compartment, possibly striking and causing injury to vehicle occupants.

FMVSS 1 :NR

FMVSS 2 :NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Objects propelled through the passenger compartment may strike and injure occupants during side airbag deployment.

Description of the Cause : The cause is yet not determined. Takata and Volkswagen are still under investigation of the root cause.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : Takata Corporation

Address : 4-30, Roppongi 1-Chome

Minato-Ku FOREIGN STATES 106-8510

Country : Japan

Chronology :

June 15, 2015: Volkswagen was informed of an accident involving a 2015 model year Volkswagen Tiguan which included a side airbag deployment (Takata manufactured airbag). During deployment, the side airbag inflator in the vehicle ruptured and slightly injured the driver under the left arm. No medical attention was sought.

July 14, 2015: Volkswagen reported the incident to NHTSA during a face-to-face meeting in NHTSA's offices.

August 13, 2015 Volkswagen received a Special Order regarding airbag ruptures from NHTSA. Volkswagen began providing NHTSA monthly reports as per the requirements of the Special Order.

October 14, 2015: Volkswagen AG ordered a large scale analysis of blocked lot parts from two failed LAT tests at Takata.

January 20, 2016: Results from the analysis were presented in Volkswagen's product safety committee. The committee decided to remove the suspect Takata lots from the field as precautionary measure.

Date of determination: January 20, 2016

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : All Takata side airbag modules produced within the affected lots shall be replaced with new production modules.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Replacement parts are manufactured outside of the suspect lot.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Airbag modules from suspect Takata lots were contained after failure of lot acceptance test.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealer Notification - TBD
Owner Notification - TBD

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

* NR - Not Reported