

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

16V-641

Manufacturer Name : Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Submission Date : SEP 23, 2016

NHTSA Recall No. : 16V-641

Manufacturer Recall No. : 72F8



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Address : 3800 Hamlin Road

Auburn Hills MI 48326

Company phone : 1-800-893-5298

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 19,205

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2017-2017 Audi Q7

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Audi Q7: 19,205

Production Dates : AUG 30, 2015 - JUL 10, 2016

VIN Range 1 : Begin : WA1LAAF71HD000012 **End :** WA1VABF76HD024398 Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : In the affected vehicles, the third row seat may move forward under load such as in a frontal collision. As such, the vehicles do not conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 207, "Seating Systems."

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If the third row seat does not remain in its position, there may be an increased risk of injury to an occupant in the event of a crash.

Description of the Cause : The lower transverse pipe used in the 3rd seating row was improperly manufactured which could lead to a weakening of the seat structure.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : AMVIAN Automotive (Europe) GmbH
Address : Plant Geiselhoering
Hadersbacher Strasse 16 Geiselhoering FOREIGN STATES 94333
Country : Germany

Chronology :

The issue was identified in May 2016 during internal periodic quality testing. Audi immediately launched an investigation to determine if the test failure was the result of an incorrect test procedure or a defective part. On August 25, 2016, the matter was presented at the Product Safety Committee where a decision to conduct a Compliance Recall was made.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Additional support bracket to be installed on the transverse pipe of the third row seat.
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Additional support bracket installed.
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Structural changes of the transverse pipe were implemented as of August 1, 2016.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealer notification estimated September 2016
Owner notification estimated for October 2016
Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR
Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

* NR - Not Reported