

## **Takata PSAN (Non-Desiccated) PAB Inflators – 2005-2009 MY DH Vehicles built at SLNAP**

- On May 4, 2016, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (“NHTSA” or the “Agency”) published an amendment to the November 3, 2015, Takata Consent Order regarding Takata PABs manufactured using non-desiccated PSAN. This amendment expanded the scope of the original EA15-001 to include additional vehicles built with non-desiccated PSAN airbag inflators.
- In the May 4, 2016, amendment to the Takata Consent Order (“Takata CO Amendment”), NHTSA divided the United States into three zones based on the critical factors of temperature and absolute humidity:
  - Zone A: These are states and territories previously identified as the high absolute humidity (“HAH”) region (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands (Saipan), and the U.S. Virgin Islands), plus the states of California and South Carolina.
  - Zone B: These are states and territories previously identified as the moderate temperature cycling and absolute humidity region. It includes the following states: Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.
  - Zone C: This region comprises states with lower temperature cycling and absolute humidity. It includes the following: Alaska, Colorado, Connecticut, Idaho, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, New Hampshire, New York, North Dakota, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming.
- On May 16, 2016, Takata submitted a Part 573 Defect Information Report to the NHTSA stating that the front Programmable Smokeless Passenger Inflator (“PSPI”), and PSPI 1.1 non-desiccated PAB inflator could contain a safety defect.
  - Zone A population: All vehicles not currently under recall containing non-desiccated frontal Takata PSAN inflators, MY 2012 & older
  - Zone B population: All vehicles not currently under recall containing non-desiccated frontal Takata PSAN inflators, MY 2009 & older
  - Zone C population: All vehicles not currently under recall containing non-desiccated frontal Takata PSAN inflators, MY 2008 & older
- On May 17, 2016, the FCA US Vehicle Regulations Committee (“VRC”) authorized the execution of a voluntary global safety recall (S43/16V-352) for vehicles equipped with the suspect PABs.
- On November 3, 2016, FCA US discovered that vehicles manufactured at SLNAP may have been omitted from recall S43/16V-352.
- Between November 9, 2016 and December 2, 2016, FCA US conducted further investigation to confirm this vehicle family and model years should be included in S43/16V-352 for 2005-2009 MY DH vehicles built at SLNAP.
- On December 2, 2016, FCA US VSRC confirmed that vehicles manufactured at SLNAP had been omitted from recall S43/16V-352. St. Louis North Assembly Plant was missed as a specified plant in the population scope.

- On December 20, 2016, FCA US determined, through the Vehicle Regulations Committee, to conduct a voluntary safety recall of the affected vehicles.