

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

17V-138

Manufacturer Name : BMW of North America, LLC**Submission Date :** AUG 22, 2017**NHTSA Recall No. :** 17V-138**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : BMW of North America, LLC

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Population :

Number of potentially involved : 121,909

Estimated percentage with defect : 1 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2011-2013 BMW X5 xDrive35i, X5 xDrive50i, X5 M

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 85,930 vehicles have been equipped with a front driveshaft whose universal joint contains a seal that may have been manufactured out-of-specification.

Production Dates : FEB 04, 2010 - APR 22, 2013

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2011-2011 BMW X6 ActiveHybrid

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : HYBRID ELECTRIC

Descriptive Information : Approximately 29 vehicles have been equipped with a front driveshaft whose universal joint contains a seal that may have been manufactured out-of-specification.

Production Dates : MAR 15, 2010 - SEP 22, 2011

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 3 : 2011-2014 BMW X6 xDrive35i, X6 xDrive50i, X6 M

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 15,173 vehicles have been equipped with a front driveshaft whose universal joint contains a seal that may have been manufactured out-of-specification.

Production Dates : MAR 08, 2010 - APR 22, 2013

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 4 : 2011-2013 BMW X5 xDrive35d

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information : Approximately 20,777 vehicles have been equipped with a front driveshaft whose universal joint contains a seal that may have been manufactured out-of-specification.

Production Dates : NOV 22, 2010 - APR 22, 2013

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : This is an amendment to BMW's May 13, 2016 report. This safety recall involves the front driveshaft. On approximately 121,737 vehicles, the contact surface between the spider and the seal of the front driveshaft's universal joint may be out-of-specification. In rare cases, water and/or dirt may enter the universal joint and, over time, lead to excessive wear and/or corrosion resulting in noise or vibration. After prolonged driving under such conditions, the universal joint may eventually break.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Should the universal joint break, the drive torque is no longer transmitted to the front wheels. However, the rear drivetrain remains operational and transmits all drive torque to the rear axle comparable to rear wheel drive BMW vehicles. In an extreme case, after prolonged operation of the vehicle with a broken universal joint, damage could occur to adjacent components, which, under certain exceptional circumstances, could eventually render the vehicle inoperative. Depending on traffic conditions and the driver reactions, this could increase the risk of a collision.

Description of the Cause : A manufacturing variation occurred in the critical contour area of the sealing ring contact face.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : The driver will initially be alerted by noise from the area of the front drivetrain. Over time, this noise will increase along with vibration.

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : IFA Rotorion North America, LLC

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Country : United States

Chronology :

Due to the 2000 character maximum field size, please refer to the attachment containing the chronology.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : The front driveshaft will be replaced.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

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

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealers are planned to be notified on May 25, 2017. Owners are planned to be notified on Jul 17, 2017.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAY 25, 2017 - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : JUL 17, 2017 - NR

* NR - Not Reported