

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 17V-434

**Manufacturer Name :** Chrysler (FCA US LLC)**Submission Date :** SEP 19, 2017**NHTSA Recall No. :** 17V-434**Manufacturer Recall No. :** T45**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Chrysler (FCA US LLC)

Address : 800 Chrysler Drive  
CIMS 482-00-91 Auburn Hills MI  
48326-2757

Company phone : 1-800-853-1403

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 4

Estimated percentage with defect : 1 %

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2017-2017 Ram 1500

Vehicle Type :

Body Style : PICKUP TRUCK

Power Train : NR

**Descriptive Information :** Certain 2017 MY Ram 1500 ("DS") vehicles built between May 5, 2017 and May 7, 2017, at the Warren Truck Assembly Plant ("WTAP") may have been assembled with a broken fuel tank control valve. The suspect period for the affected vehicles was determined based on supplier maintenance records. The supplier found evidence of 14 broken fuel tank control valves. After an FCA US LLC ("FCA US") audit, 12 of the 14 broken control valves were found. Five vehicles in the suspect population escaped plant control. Thus, up to two of the broken control valves could potentially be in the five suspect vehicles. Of the five suspect vehicles, four were built for the U.S. market and one was built for the Canadian market. Due to unaccounted for scrap at the supplier, there could be as few as zero broken control valves in the 5 suspect vehicles. Similar vehicles not included in the recall do not potentially have a broken control valve as a result of this issue.

Production Dates : MAY 05, 2017 - MAY 07, 2017

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential**Description of Noncompliance :**

**Description of the Noncompliance :** Certain 2017 MY DS vehicles may have been assembled with a broken fuel tank control valve which could result in fuel leaking from the fuel tank in the event the vehicle were to become inverted. Fuel leaking from the fuel tank with the vehicle inverted is potentially non-compliant with FMVSS 301.

FMVSS 1 : 301 - Fuel system integrity

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : In the event of a rollover crash, leaking fuel could lead to an increased risk of vehicle fire.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : Plastic Omnium

Address : 1549 West Beecher  
Adrian MICHIGAN 49221

Country : United States

## Chronology :

- On or about June 13, 2017, FCA US' Vehicle Safety and Regulatory Compliance investigation team reviewed the issue with FCA US Supplier Quality and confirmed the potential for fuel to leak from a broken fuel tank control valve in the event a vehicle with a broken control valve were to become inverted.
- On June 30, 2017, FCA US determined, through the Vehicle Regulations Committee, to conduct a voluntary safety recall of the affected vehicles.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : FCA US will conduct a Voluntary Safety Recall on all affected vehicles to replace fuel tanks.

FCA US has a longstanding policy and practice of reimbursing owners who have incurred the cost of repairing a problem that subsequently becomes the subject of a field action. To ensure consistency, FCA US, as part of the owner letter, will request that customers send the original receipt and/or other adequate proof of payment to the company for confirmation of the expense.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

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

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : \*\* 09/19/2017: Planned Dealer and Owner Notification Dates populated.

\*\* 07/07/2017: FCA US will notify dealers and begin notifying owners on or about August 21, 2017.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : AUG 03, 2017 - AUG 03, 2017

Planned Owner Notification Date : AUG 10, 2017 - AUG 10, 2017

\* NR - Not Reported