

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

17V-806

Manufacturer Name : Mazda North American Operations

Submission Date : FEB 09, 2018

NHTSA Recall No. : 17V-806

Manufacturer Recall No. : 1817L



Manufacturer Information :

Population :

Manufacturer Name : Mazda North American Operations

Number of potentially involved : 17,576

Address : 1025 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Suite 910 Washington DC 20036

Estimated percentage with defect : 1 %

Company phone : 800-222-5500

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2004-2006 Mazda B-series

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 4-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : [Update on February 9, 2018]: Amended to remove an additional 2,045 vehicles from the affected vehicle population and move them under "Do Not Drive" recall 2318A (NHTSA 18V039) due to a suspected higher risk of a driver side inflator rupture.

[Update on January 19, 2018]: This remedy campaign is being amended to remove 160 vehicles from the originally identified affected vehicle population. These 160 vehicles will be covered under a separate campaign (NHTSA 18V039 / MAZDA 2318A) due to a suspected higher risk of driver side inflator rupture and a stop drive notification.

[Initial submission December 14, 2017]: All MY2004-2006 B-series vehicles equipped with Takata manufactured passenger side, non-desiccated, frontal air bags with original "SPI" inflators are included in the recall population. The recall population was determined based on vehicle manufacturing records at Ford Motor Corporation.

Although some vehicles have been repaired using passenger side "like-for-like" air bag inflators consisting of non-desiccated, phased-stabilized ammonium nitrate ("PSAN") and the remaining vehicles have not yet been repaired, all of them will be included in this recall.

Plant information; Edison Assembly Plant of Ford Motor Corporation, USA.

Production Dates : APR 17, 2003 - MAY 02, 2006

VIN Range 1 : Begin : 4F4YR12D34TM00001 End : 4F4YR16DX4TM13015

☐ Not sequential

VIN Range 2 : Begin : 4F4ZR47E14TM00005 End : 4F4ZR47E14TM13059

☐ Not sequential

VIN Range 3 : Begin : 4F4YR12D05PM00001 End : 4F4YR16EX5PM07850

☐ Not sequential

VIN Range 4 : Begin : 4F4ZR47E55PM00003 End : 4F4ZR16U85PM07843

☐ Not sequential

VIN Range 5 : Begin : 4F4YR12D26PM02933 End : 4F4YR12U76PM06248

☐ Not sequential

VIN Range 6 : Begin : 4F4ZR47E06PM03070 End : 4F4ZR16U36PM06245 ☐ Not sequential**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The passenger's side frontal air bag inflator of the MY 2004-2006 may potentially rupture in the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the air bag, due to propellant degradation occurring after prolonged exposure to high absolute humidity, high temperatures, and high temperature cycling.

Regarding this issue, Mazda originally submitted Part 573 assigned with NHTSA recall identification number 15V346, on June 4, 2015, and has been conducting the temporary remedy with use of "like-for-like" air bag inflators consisting of non-desiccated, phased-stabilized ammonium nitrate ("PSAN") so that vehicle occupants could avoid a safety risk of air bag rupture in the short term. At this time, non-PSAN air bag inflators have become available that eliminate the safety risk of rupture. This submission is to inform of Mazda's intent to replace existing recall 15V346, with a new recall using permanent remedy, non-PSAN, air bag inflator parts. The new recall will cover all vehicles involved in 15V346, including repaired vehicles as well as vehicles not yet repaired under 15V346.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Activation of a non-desiccated phased-stabilized ammonium nitrate ("PSAN") inflator with degraded propellant may result in an inflator rupture. An inflator rupture may cause metal fragments to pass through the air bag and into the vehicle interior at high speed, which may result in injury or death to vehicle occupants.

Description of the Cause : Based on Takata's investigation to date, the potential for such ruptures occur after several years of exposure to persistent conditions of high absolute humidity, high temperatures, and high temperature cycling. The potential for rupture may also be influenced by other factors, including the specific vehicle environment, the inflator and propellant configuration, and manufacturing variability.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : Takata / T K Holding INC.

Address : 888 16th street, NW, Suite 800 Washington
20006

Country : United States

Chronology :

On May 18, 2015; Takata submitted a DIR to NHTSA regarding the SPI frontal passenger air bag inflator. Ford evaluated the information contained in Takata's DIR and potential effects on Ford vehicles.

On May 29, 2015; Mazda was informed that Ford has decided to conduct a safety recall campaign on Ford manufactured vehicles equipped with SPI frontal passenger side airbag inflator and Mazda B-series were also involved in the recall campaign.

On July 2, 2015; On the basis of Ford's decision, Mazda held a Quality Audit Committee and determined to conduct a safety recall campaign on 2004-2006MY B-series equipped with SPI frontal passenger side air bag inflators.

On July 4, 2015; Mazda filed Part573 to NHTSA.

After several days passed from Part573 submission, NHTSA assigned recall identification number 15V346.

From September, 2015 through October, 2017, Mazda has been conducting recall action replacing airbag inflators with like-for -like parts as a temporary remedy

On October 17, 2017, Mazda decided to submit a new recall using permanent remedy parts to replace the existing recall, 15V346.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Owners of record will be notified of this issue and instructed to take their vehicles to a Mazda dealer for repair. The dealer will replace the frontal passenger's side airbag inflator with a non-PSAN air bag inflator as a permanent remedy. The repair will be performed free of charge to the vehicle owners.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Recalled Parts name : Air bag inflator manufactured by Takata. Part number: 1FTT-57K50.
The remedy part is an air bag inflator manufactured by a different parts supplier and confirmed to be free from phased-stabilized ammonium nitrate.

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

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Owner letter drafts with two version, "parts available" and " Not parts available are sent at same time as this recall submission.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : DEC 22, 2017 - DEC 22, 2017

Planned Owner Notification Date : FEB 13, 2018 - FEB 13, 2018

* NR - Not Reported