

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 18V-278

**Manufacturer Name :** Chrysler (FCA US LLC)

**Submission Date :** MAY 01, 2018

**NHTSA Recall No. :** 18V-278

**Manufacturer Recall No. :** U38



## 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 :** 239,904

**Estimated percentage with defect :** 100 %

## Vehicle Information :

**Vehicle 1 :** 2004-2007 Jeep Liberty

**Vehicle Type :**

**Body Style :** SUV

**Power Train :** NR

**Descriptive Information :** Some 2004-2007 MY Jeep Liberty vehicles, not included in recall L27 (NHTSA 12V-085), may have been built with rear lower control arms that can experience excessive corrosion. The rear lower control arms may experience excessive corrosion, eventually resulting in a fracture.

The suspect period began at Toledo North Assembly Plant on April 29, 2003, when 2004 MY production began with a new rear lower control arm design which resulted in insufficient water management and reduced corrosion protection, to June 29, 2007, when production ended.

Similar vehicles not included in the recall were built with the 2002-2003 MY rear lower control arm, which is of a different design.

**Production Dates :** APR 29, 2003 - JUN 29, 2007

**VIN Range 1 : Begin :**

NR

**End :** NR

Not sequential

## Description of Defect :

**Description of the Defect :** Some rear lower control arms may experience excessive corrosion, eventually resulting in a fracture.

**FMVSS 1 :** NR

**FMVSS 2 :** NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** A fractured rear control arm could cause reduced vehicle control and can cause a vehicle crash without prior warning.

**Description of the Cause :** NR

Identification of Any Warning NR  
that can Occur :

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : Global Automotive Systems, LLC  
Address : 2791 Research Drive  
Rochester Hills MICHIGAN 48309  
Country : United States

## Chronology :

Please see the attached supplemental information titled "FCA US LLC Chronology - Rear Lower Control Arm – 2004-2007 MY KJ Vehicles – 05012018.pdf".

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : FCA US will conduct a Voluntary Safety Recall on all affected vehicles to replace the rear lower control arms.

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 : Part Name: CONTROL ARM ASSY - SUSPENSION RR LWR  
Part Description: Rear Lower Control Arm  
Part Number: 52128866AA

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

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : \*\* 05/01/2018: FCA US will notify dealers and begin notifying owners on or about 06/20/2018.  
Planned Dealer Notification Date : JUN 20, 2018 - JUN 20, 2018  
Planned Owner Notification Date : JUN 20, 2018 - JUN 20, 2018

\* NR - Not Reported