

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 18V-401

**Manufacturer Name :** Nissan North America, Inc.

**Submission Date :** DEC 18, 2020

**NHTSA Recall No. :** 18V-401

**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR



## Manufacturer Information :

**Manufacturer Name :** Nissan North America, Inc.

**Address :** P. O. BOX 685001

Franklin TN 37068-5009

**Company phone :** 800-647-7261

## Population :

**Number of potentially involved :** 104,762

**Estimated percentage with defect :** 1 %

## Vehicle Information :

**Vehicle 1 :** 2010-2011 Nissan Versa Sedan

**Vehicle Type :** LIGHT VEHICLES

**Body Style :** 4-DOOR

**Power Train :** GAS

**Descriptive Information :** Nissan is accelerating the schedule defined in Paragraph 33 of the Third Amendment to The Coordinated Remedy Order for December 2018 and recalling the remainder of all non-desiccated front passenger air bag inflators.

The vehicles subject to this report are equipped with non-desiccated Takata inflators that are not already subject to ongoing recalls. More specifically, the subject vehicles are equipped with PSPI6 passenger air bag inflators that are not subject to Recalls 16V-349, 17V-028 and 18V-044.

**Production Dates :** SEP 05, 2009 - JUL 01, 2011

**VIN Range 1 : Begin :**

NR

**End :** NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2010-2012 Nissan Versa Hatchback

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : HATCHBACK

Power Train : GAS

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Production Dates : SEP 05, 2009 - DEC 21, 2012

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

## Description of Defect :

**Description of the Defect :** Updated June 27, 2019 – This submission is to inform of Nissan’s intent to implement the “Other” reporting category for removed vehicles in Quarterly Reporting as permitted in the Third Amendment to the Coordinated Remedy Order (ACRO), Paragraphs 45 through 49. As a condition of the ACRO, all affected vehicles will remain active across Nissan’s data systems such that any search of “Other” removed VINs will return an open recall status. For this reason, the number of potentially involved vehicles in this report will remain the same. However, for reference, initial counts of vehicles in the “Other” reporting category are indicated in the amended Part 573 letter submitted on February 14, 2019. Note that these counts are current as of the first calendar quarter 2019. Future changes to overall Total Removed counts, including “Other,” will be reflected in quarterly reporting.

Takata has determined that a defect related to motor vehicle safety may arise in some of the subject ammonium nitrate inflators due to propellant degradation occurring after prolonged exposure to high absolute humidity, high temperatures and high temperature cycling. Activation of a non-desiccated ammonium nitrate inflator with degraded propellant may result in an inflator rupture.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** 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 :** NR

Identification of Any Warning NR  
that can Occur :

## Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : NR

Component Description : NR

Component Part Number : NR

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : TK Services Inc.

Address : 111 Peyerk Court  
Romeo Michigan 48065

Country : United States

## Chronology :

Late May 2018 – Nissan consulted with NHTSA regarding the potential to accelerate the schedule defined in Paragraph 33 of the Third Amendment to The Coordinated Remedy Order for December 2018 and recall the remainder of the subject PSPI6 non-desiccated front passenger air bag inflators. Although there are no known incidents associated with the subject inflator, Nissan explained its desire to accelerate the remedy based on an ample supply of replacement parts, and to help minimize inconvenience for customers.

June 6, 2018 – The Agency concurred with Nissan’s revised approach.

June 8, 2018 – Nissan decided to move forward with accelerating the remedy schedule defined in Paragraph 33 of the Third Amendment to The Coordinated Remedy Order and recall the remaining non-desiccated front passenger air bag inflators.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : The front passenger air bag inflators will be replaced with new inflators manufactured by a different supplier, at no cost to owners for parts or labor. Customers were notified that they are eligible for reimbursement of pre-notification remedy and certain other costs.

Updated December 18, 2020 – Nissan is expanding utilization of the 'Other' category in reporting completion in the dashboard submission and quarterly reports; pursuant to Paragraph 47 in the Third Amendment to the Coordinated Remedy Order (ACRO), additional instructions provided by NHTSA in June 2019, and Expanded Other Category Proposal letter submitted by Nissan on November 18, 2020. The specific sub-categories will include 'Deployed', 'Missing', 'Incorrect' and 'Retrieved through Salvage'. For applicable VINs in these sub-categories, after confirming the affected Takata airbag inflator is no longer present in the vehicle, Nissan will close the recall because the affected Takata airbag is no longer a safety risk for the affected vehicle (VIN). Nissan will discontinue outreach to these VINs. Movement of additional VINs into these sub-categories will be reflected in quarterly reporting and monthly dashboard submissions as a VIN's status in the respective sub-category is confirmed.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The name, description and part number(s) of the recalled component(s) are below.

Part Name: PSPI6 INFLATOR-AIR BAG ASST  
Part Description: PSPI6 Inflator for Front Passenger Air Bag Module  
Part Number: 98561EM39A

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

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealers were notified on June 15, 2018. Nissan notified all affected vehicle owners by first class mail in early July 2018. In order to minimize inconvenience for Versa customers who are also subject to the driver air bag inflator recall 17V-449, Nissan mailed combination owner notification letters to these owners. After Part 577 notification is completed, additional outreach efforts were undertaken consistent with previous Takata Monitor recommendations.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : JUN 15, 2018 - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : JUL 09, 2018 - NR

\* NR - Not Reported