FCA US LLC Chronology Rear Lower Control Arm – 2004-2007 MY KJ Vehicles Submitted on May 1, 2018

- On March 2, 2012, Chrysler Group LLC (n/k/a FCA US LLC ("FCA US")) notified NHTSA of regional recall L27 (NHTSA 12V-085), which included 2004-2005 model year Jeep Liberty vehicles in, what was defined by NHTSA at that time as, "salt belt states." On June 5, 2012, FCA US expanded L27 to include 2006-2007 model year Jeep Liberty vehicles in the identified region.
- The 2004-2007 model year Jeep Liberty utilizes a three link rear suspension system and the rear lower control arms primary function is to constrain the rear axle in the for/aft direction.
- The fracture of a rear lower control arm can result in a decrease in rear suspension stability.
- On August 10, 2016, the FCA US Vehicle Safety and Regulatory Compliance ("VSRC") organization opened an investigation as a result of customer complaints related to rear lower control arm fractures due to corrosion on 2004-2007 model year Jeep Liberty vehicles not included in recall L27 (NHTSA 12V-085).
- From September 2016, through January 2017, the FCA US VSRC continued to monitor field data for additional inputs and to track the locations of vehicles affected.
- In January 2017, the FCA US VSRC initiated a field survey to assess whether the L27 condition existed on vehicles located outside the recall states.
- In March 2017, the FCA US VSRC concluded its field survey which revealed limited e-coat degradation and internal corrosion on parts received from vehicles not included in recall L27.
- On April 6, 2017, the FCA US VSRC closed the investigation due to the limited number of field inputs and continued to monitor field data for additional inputs.
- From April 2017, through April 2018, the FCA US VSRC monitored field data inputs and held periodic reviews of the data with FCA US management.
- As of April 23, 2018, FCA US identified approximately 157 incidents on vehicles not included in recall L27, which include 59 CAIRs, 49 VOQs, 77 warranty claims and repair orders, and zero field reports and is aware of one accident and zero injuries potentially related to this issue.
- On April 25, 2018, FCA US determined, through the Vehicle Regulations Committee, to conduct a voluntary safety recall of the affected vehicles.