

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 19E-058

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

**Submission Date :** AUG 26, 2019

**NHTSA Recall No. :** 19E-058

**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR



## Manufacturer Information :

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

**Address :** 12001 Tech Center Drive

Livonia MI 48150

**Company phone :** 7348552600

## Population :

**Number of potentially involved :** 614

**Estimated percentage with defect :** 100 %

## Equipment Information :

**Brand / Trade 1 :** Lemförder

**Model :** Steering Center Rod

**Part No. :** LF 15789 02

**Size :** NR

**Function :** NR

**Descriptive Information :** Steering center rods sold in the independent aftermarket for BMW E39 vehicles may detach due to an out of specification condition. ZF's investigation is ongoing.

**Production Dates :** JAN 01, 2018 - MAY 31, 2019

## Description of Defect :

**Description of the Defect :** Affected steering center rods have a ball pin pull force below specification and may detach from the steering knuckle when installed in vehicles.

**FMVSS 1 :** NR

**FMVSS 2 :** NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** If the steering rod loses the connection to the steerable wheel knuckle, it could lead to loss of steering control in the vehicle, increasing the risk of collision.

**Description of the Cause :** NR

**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** NR

## Supplier Identification :

**Component Manufacturer**

Name : AYD SSP S&S  
Address : Konya Organize San. Bölğ.  
İhsandede Caddesi No:7 Selçuklu – Konya FOREIGN STATES  
Country : Turkey

**Chronology :**

In cw 32 and 33 2019, ZF was notified of three steering center rods installed in vehicles that had experienced detachments and began its investigation. On August 19, 2019, ZF made the decision to recall parts based on available information. ZF is not aware of any accidents or injuries associated with this issue. ZF's investigation is ongoing.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : ZF will reimburse its customers for recalled parts based on its existing warranty return process.  
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR  
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : ZF has suspended use of these parts from its sub-supplier and continues to investigate.

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : ZF will notify direct customers (distributors) about the recall and will request that its customers notify additional distributors and end users (owners) about the recall.  
Planned Dealer Notification Date : AUG 28, 2019 - AUG 28, 2019  
Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

**Purchaser Information :**

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name : NR  
Address : NR  
NR  
Country : NR  
Company Phone : NR

\* NR - Not Reported