

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

19V-386

Manufacturer Name : BMW of North America, LLC

Submission Date : MAY 23, 2019

NHTSA Recall No. : 19V-386

Manufacturer Recall No. : NR



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : BMW of North America, LLC

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Company phone : 18005257417

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 1,822

Estimated percentage with defect : 1 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2019-2019 BMW X7 xDrive40i, X7 xDrive50i

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 1,822 vehicles are equipped with head air bags on the driver and passenger side which may not have been installed according to specifications.

Basis for recall population determination: Vehicle assembly records were reviewed to determine the start date and end date of potentially affected vehicles.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: The head air bags may not have been installed according to specifications.

Production Dates : NOV 05, 2018 - APR 03, 2019

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : This safety recall involves the driver and passenger head air bags which may not have been installed according to specifications. Specifically, the head air bags may not have been aligned within the vehicle trim according to specified requirements.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : In a crash of sufficient severity, deployment of the head air bags may be impaired, which could increase the risk of an injury.

Description of the Cause : Due to a vehicle assembly process deviation, the head air bags may not have been installed according to specifications.

Identification of Any Warning NR
that can Occur :

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : BMW AG
Address : NR
NR
Country : NR

Chronology :

In late March 2019, during a quality check at the vehicle assembly plant, two vehicles were identified in which installation of the head air bags could potentially be suspect.

Vehicle assembly process documentation and information was reviewed. Based upon the available information, the number of potentially affected vehicles was thought to be very small.

In April, an engineering review was initiated to evaluate potential implications regarding Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS). Reviews of internal crash test results were conducted to assess potential effects on vehicles in the field.

Additional reviews were conducted to determine the number and production range of potentially affected vehicles.

On May 16, 2019, BMW decided to conduct a voluntary recall.

BMW has not received any reports, nor is BMW otherwise aware, of any accidents or injuries related to this issue.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : The installation of the head air bags will be inspected and, if necessary, reinstalled according to specifications. Owners will be notified by First Class mail and instructed to take their vehicle to an authorized BMW center to have the remedy performed for free. Owners who have had the remedy performed at their own expense prior to the recall notification may be eligible for reimbursement according to BMW Group's reimbursement plan in accordance with 49 CFR 573.13 and 49 CFR 577.11.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Recalled Component: head air bag module; p/n 7417491 left-side, 7417492 right-side.

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

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Notification to dealers is planned to begin and end on May 23, 2019.
Notification to owners is planned to begin and end on July 15, 2019.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAY 23, 2019 - MAY 23, 2019

Planned Owner Notification Date : JUL 15, 2019 - JUL 15, 2019

* NR - Not Reported