

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

March 5, 2021

Jim Moore Manager of In-Use Vehicle Conformity Porsche Cars North America, Inc. One Porsche Drive Atlanta, GA 30354 Porsche Cars North America, Inc.

Subject: Front Passenger Seat Occupancy Sensor Mat May Fail

Dear Jim Moore:

This letter serves to acknowledge Porsche Cars North America, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

#### Makes/Models/Model Years:

PORSCHE/MACAN/2017-2018 PORSCHE/MACAN GTS/2017-2018 PORSCHE/MACAN S/2015-2018 PORSCHE/MACAN TURBO/2015-2018

Mfr's Report Date: March 3, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-131

# **Components:**

AIR BAGS:SENSOR:OCCUPANT CLASSIFICATION:FRONT PASSENGER

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 39,547

### **Problem Description:**

Porsche Cars North America, Inc. (Porsche) is recalling certain 2017-2018 Macan, Macan Turbo Kits, Macan GTS, 2015-2018 Macan S, and Macan Turbo vehicles. The front passenger seat occupancy sensor mat may degrade and fail to detect a passenger in the front seat.

## **Consequence:**

The air bag will not deploy during a crash if a front passenger is undetected, increasing the risk of injury.

### Remedy:

Porsche will notify owners, and dealers will replace the sensor mat and seat cushion, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin May 2, 2021. Owners may contact Porsche customer service at 1-800-767-7243. Porsche's number for this recall is AMA2.

#### Notes

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.



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Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Porsche Cars North America, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Sarah Shiver who may be reached by email at sarah.shiver@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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