

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Vincent D'Auria Polestar Automotive USA, Inc. 270 Three Point Drive Ridgeville, SC 29485 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-107SS 21V-683

Subject: Seat Belt Locking Retractor Malfunction/FMVSS 208

Dear Vincent D'Auria:

This letter serves to acknowledge Polestar Automotive USA, 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:

POLESTAR/POLESTAR 1/2021

Mfr's Report Date: September 1, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-683

Components:

SEAT BELTS SEAT BELTS:FRONT:RETRACTOR SEAT BELTS:REAR/OTHER:RETRACTOR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 2

Problem Description:

Polestar Automotive USA, Inc. (Polestar) is recalling certain 2021 Polestar PS1 vehicles. The seat belt automatic locking retractors may deactivate early, which can prevent the child restraint system from securing properly. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 208, "Occupant Crash Protection."

Consequence:

An unsecured child restraint system can increase the risk of injury during a crash.

Remedy:

Dealers will inspect and replace the seat belt assemblies, as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed October 31, 2021. Owners may contact Polestar customer service at 1-800-806-2504. Polestar's number for this recall is R10112.

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.nhtsa.gov.



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).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

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.

Polestar Automotive USA, 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

Enforcement

