May 11, 2022

Nancy Bell
Rivian Automotive, LLC
13250 North Haggerty Road
PLYMOUTH, MI 48170

Subject: Improperly Calibrated Front Passenger OCS/FMVSS208

Dear Nancy Bell:

This letter serves to acknowledge Rivian Automotive, LLC’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:
RIVIAN/R1T/2022

Mfr's Report Date: May 10, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-319

Components:
AIR BAGS:SENSOR:OCCUPANT CLASSIFICATION:FRONT PASSENGER SEATS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 502

Problem Description:
Rivian Automotive, LLC (Rivian) is recalling certain 2022 R1T vehicles. The Occupant Classification System (OCS) may not deactivate the air bag when a child or child seat occupies the front passenger seat. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 208, "Occupant Crash Protection."

Consequence:
A child in the front seat may be at a greater risk of injury in the event of a passenger air bag deployment during a crash.

Remedy:
Rivian Service Centers will replace the front passenger seat, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed July 1, 2022. Owners may contact Rivian customer service at 1-734-855-4345. Rivian's number for this recall is FSAM-651.

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 an owner notification envelope template and 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 eight 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.

Rivian Automotive, LLC’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