## \* \* TECHNICAL INFORMATION NOTICE \* \*

DATE: July 7, 2022

TO: Mitsubishi Motors US Dealer Principals, General Managers, Sales Managers, Service Managers, and Parts Managers

RE: SEAT BELT AUTOMATIC LOCKING RETRACTOR (ALR) – SAFETY RECALL CAMPAIGN

ATIN NO.: TIN-22-SR-002A

**AFFECTED VEHICLES:** Certain 2022 Outlander vehicles

## PURPOSE:

Notification letters for approximately 2,500 vehicles affected by recall SR-22-002 "SEAT BELT AUTOMATIC LOCKING RETRACTOR (ALR)", are being mailed to owners today, July 7, 2022, requesting they contact their local Authorized Mitsubishi dealership to schedule an appointment to have this recall performed. A sample copy of the owner notification letter is included below for your reference.

The bearing plate located in the ALR (Automatic Locking Retractor) may have been produced out of specification, causing the ALR function to deactivate before the webbing is fully retracted. This condition, if it exists, does not comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 208. If the ALR function deactivates while an affected seatbelt is used to secure a child restraint seat, the child restraint seat may not be tightly secured, which increases risk of serious injury or death.

## PLEASE NOTE: Safety Recall Campaign SR-21-007 has similarities with this Safety Recall Campaign. The two recalls are different, affected vehicles were produced at different times, affected seat belt lot numbers are different, and caution should be used to prevent confusion. Please check the Superscreen on each VIN to ensure the correct recall is performed.

There will not be an allocation of parts – the remedy part numbers are the same as SR-21-007 and dealers should already have inventory. If additional parts are necessary, they are available at your facing PDC.

Affected new vehicle inventory VINs can be reviewed on the Mitsubishi Dealer Link in the Most Recent: Open Campaign List available under the service section of "e-reports." **Dealers must review the Warranty Superscreen to confirm if any vehicles in their new or used vehicle inventories are affected and complete this campaign prior to delivering them.** When checking for applicability of this campaign (**C2202R**), please check for and complete any other open campaigns. Always obtain the customer's approval before completing a campaign on a customer owned vehicle.

## **IMPORTANT**

Affected new or used inventory vehicles must be repaired before the vehicle is sold/delivered. Dealers must check their inventory vehicles' VINs on the Warranty Superscreen to verify whether the vehicle is involved in this recall campaign. It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to sell/deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by the notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

MITSUBISHI MOTORS NORTH AMERICA, INC. PO Box 689040 Franklin, TN 37068



This notice applies to your vehicle,

Date: July 2022

Dear FIRSTNAME LASTNAME,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Reason for notice:	Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. (MMNA) has decided that certain 2022 Outlander vehicles fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 208, "Occupant Crash Protection." The Automatic Locking Retractor (ALR) function of the seat belt assemblies may deactivate before fully retracted. If the ALR function deactivates while an affected seat belt is used to secure a child restraint seat, the child restraint seat may not be tightly secured, which increases risk of serious injury or death.
What you should do:	Please contact your local Mitsubishi Motors dealer and schedule an appointment to have the affected seat belt(s) inspected and replaced, if necessary, free of charge. When you bring your vehicle in, please show the dealer this letter. If you misplace this letter, the dealer will still perform this repair for your vehicle, free of charge.
What your dealer will do:	The dealership will inspect the lot number on the passenger front and two <u>outboard</u> (left and right) 2 <sup>nd</sup> row seatbelts and replace the seatbelt(s), if necessary.
How long will it take?	The time needed for the inspection is approximately <b>15 minutes</b> . The time needed for seat belt replacement, if necessary, is approximately <b>2 hours</b> . The dealer may need your vehicle

If you experience any problem having your vehicle repaired promptly and/or at no charge, please inform us by calling the Mitsubishi Customer Relations Department at **888-648-7820**. Hours: Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Central Time)

for a longer period of time, but every effort will be made to minimize your inconvenience.

If, after contacting Mitsubishi Customer Relations, you still have a problem getting this repair made promptly and/or without charge, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

If you have already encountered a problem with the passenger front or two outboard (left and right) 2<sup>nd</sup> row seatbelts and had them replaced as a result of this specific condition and have paid for the repair, you may send your original repair order or invoice, **and** original receipt/proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement consideration:

Mitsubishi Motors North America Inc., Customer Relations, P.O. Box 689040, Franklin, TN 37068.

If you no longer own this vehicle, please <u>complete</u> and return the attached Change of Ownership card or contact Customer Relations at 888-648-7820.

If you are the lessor of this vehicle, please forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days to comply with federal regulations.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

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