

# **VOLKSWAGEN DEALER COMMUNICATION**

# Advance Notice - Safety Recall 69EM / Driver Frontal Airbag Inflator (Takata SDI-D)

#### This notice is for:

- Dealer Principal
- ✓ Service Manager
- ✓ Warranty Administrator

Technicians

- ✓ General Manager
- ✓ Parts Manager
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- ✓ Sales Managers
- ✓ Service Consultant

Date:

January 05, 2023

Issue:

The driver's side airbag inflator may explode due to propellant degradation occurring after long-term exposure to high absolute humidity, high temperatures, and high temperature cycling. An inflator explosion may result in sharp metal fragments striking the driver or other occupants resulting in serious injury or death.

## Repair:

- REPAIR NOT YET AVAILABLE
- Check daily campaign open inventory report or OMD for affected vehicles in inventory.

#### **Affected Vehicles**

| Country | Beginning<br>Model Year | Ending<br>Model Year | Vehicle            | Vehicle<br>Count |
|---------|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| USA     | 2015                    | 2016                 | BEETLE             | 23,451           |
| USA     | 2015                    | 2016                 | BEETLE CONVERTIBLE | 14,107           |
| CAN     | 2015                    | 2016                 | BEETLE             | 3,116            |
| CAN     | 2015                    | 2016                 | BEETLE CONVERTIBLE | 1,284            |

<sup>\*</sup>Counts reflect overall population; some vehicles may have already been repaired. Check Campaigns/Actions screen in Elsa on the day of repair to verify that a VIN qualifies for repair under this action. Elsa is the only valid campaign inquiry & verification source.

#### Notes:

## **IMPORTANT REMINDER: VEHICLES AFFECTED BY SAFETY & COMPLIANCE RECALLS**

New Vehicles in Dealer Inventory: It is a violation of federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied. By law, dealers must correct, prior to delivery for sale or lease, any vehicle that fails to comply with an applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard or that contains a defect relating to motor vehicle safety.

<u>Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Inventory:</u> Dealers should not deliver any pre-owned vehicles in their inventory which are involved in a safety or compliance recall until the defect has been remedied.

#### -END OF MESSAGE-

Ensure all dealership personnel are aware of this notice so they are able to address customer questions. Contact Warranty if you require additional assistance. Direct press inquiries to Volkswagen Public Relations.