

## New Safety Recall Advanced Communication – 02B

FCA US LLC (FCA US) has announced a safety recall on certain 2022 and 2023 model year (VF) Ram ProMaster vehicles.

VINs identified as being involved in this campaign are currently live and searchable. Stop sale is in effect for the above-identified vehicles.

Vehicles impacted by a stop sale are eligible for reimbursement allowance through the Recall Floorplan Reimbursement Policy (RFPRP), which can be requested upon recall claim submission.

**IMPORTANT:** Some of the involved vehicles may be in dealer new vehicle inventory. Federal law requires you to complete this recall service on these vehicles before retail delivery. Violation of this requirement by a dealer could result in a civil penalty of up to \$27,168 per vehicle. Involved vehicles can be determined by using the VIP inquiry process.

## **REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL**

Some of the above vehicles may have been built with a driver seat belt buckle with an incorrect switch sense magnet. Suspect vehicles may incorrectly activate the warning system indicating that the seat belt is unlatched when it is latched. Failure to detect whether an occupant is buckled can impede the seatbelt warning system from deactivating when the belt is properly fastened, potentially leading to reduced seat belt use which can increase the chance of injury in certain crashes.

The condition described above does not comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 571.208 Occupant Crash Protection S7.3 (a) states that "A seat belt assembly provided at the driver's seating position shall be equipped with a warning system that, at the option of the manufacturer, either [about warning options and vehicle conditions] ... (b) The vehicle's ignition switch is moved to the on position or to the start position. (c) The driver's lap belt is not in use, as determined, at the option of the manufacturer, either by the belt latch mechanism not being fastened, or by the belt not being extended at least 4 inches from its stowed position."

## SERVICE ACTION

FCA US will conduct a voluntary safety recall on all affected vehicles to inspect and, if necessary, replace the driver seat belt buckle. The remedy for this condition is not currently available. Dealers will be notified of the launch of this safety recall by way of established communication methods. This recall is estimated to launch in 2nd Quarter of 2024.

We ask that you please take the time to ensure that your personnel are aware of this communication and are prepared to execute a customer friendly process for inquiries regarding involved vehicles.

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