

MAZDA IMPLEMENTS CX-9 LOWER CONTROL ARMS SAFETY RECALL 8515G

WASHINGTON, DC (August 5, 2015) – Mazda has decided to implement a voluntary recall to include certain 2007-2014 MY CX-9 vehicles. On these CX-9 vehicles produced from October 24, 2006 through December 28, 2013, water may enter the front suspension ball joint fitting. Driving on roadways during the winter months in areas that use roadway salts can lead to salt and water intrusion into the ball joint, causing corrosion, which can result in looseness of the ball joint in the fitting. As a result of the looseness, a rattle may occur at the lower control arm ball joint. After extended operation in this condition, in the worst case the ball joint and lower control arm may separate.

Approximately 193,000 US vehicles are involved.

The repair is to replace both front lower control arms and spacers. Due to parts availability, priority will be given to vehicles registered in states that use roadway salt: Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin, West Virginia, Minnesota, Missouri, Connecticut, Delaware, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Maryland, Maine, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, and New York.

Owners of subject vehicles will be notified by mail in September.

There have been no reports of accidents or injury related to this issue.

Mazda North American Operations is headquartered in Irvine, Calif., and oversees the sales, marketing, parts and customer service support of Mazda vehicles in the United States and Mexico through more than 700 dealers. Operations in Mexico are managed by Mazda Motor de Mexico in Mexico City.

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