

MAZDA IMPLEMENTS RECALL ON CERTAIN CX-3, MAZDA3, MAZDA5, AND CX-5 VEHICLES FOR LIFTGATE STAY DAMPER CONCERN

WASHINGTON, DC (September 8, 2016) – On September 6, Mazda Motor Corporation filed a safety defect report with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to address a concern with certain CX-3, Mazda3, Mazda5 and CX-5 vehicles.

On the affected vehicles, insufficient corrosion protective coating was applied to the ends of the external cylinders of the rear hatch/lift gate gas stay dampers (lift supports). If water containing road salt enters, it can cause corrosion. Over time, increased corrosion may eventually cause it to break as the rear hatch or lift gate is opened. The rear hatch or lift gate may drop suddenly, and/or the broken parts may hit the customer, causing injury.

Affected vehicles include:

2010-2013 Model Year Mazda3
2012-2015 Model Year Mazda5
2013-2016 Model Year CX-5
2016 Model Year CX-3

Approximately 575,381 vehicles are affected in the U.S.

There have been no reports of accidents or injuries as a result of this condition in the affected Mazda vehicles.

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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