

## **STATEMENT ON RECALL OF CERTAIN 2016-2018 MY MAZDA3 VEHICLES**

### **WINDSHIELD WIPERS MAY BECOME INOPERATIVE**

WASHINGTON, DC (April 15, 2019) – Mazda North American Operations has filed a Part 573 notification with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) for a safety defect on certain 2016-2018 Model Year Mazda3 vehicles.

The front windshield wipers may become inoperative due to a defective relay that disrupts electrical power to the wiper motor. The relay becomes defective when metal deposits form due to heat generated during normal operation, which causes eventual sticking of the relay contacts. Drivers may experience reduced or poor visibility while driving due to inoperative front windshield wipers.

The following vehicles are affected:

2016 MY Mazda3 – 106,756 units

2017 MY Mazda3 – 72,538 units

2018 MY Mazda3 – 8,504 units

There have been no reports of accidents or injuries due to the windshield wiper defect.

Mazda North American Operations is headquartered in Irvine, California, and oversees the sales, marketing, parts and customer service support of Mazda vehicles in the United States and Mexico through nearly 700 dealers. Operations in Mexico are managed by Mazda Motor de Mexico in Mexico City. For more information on Mazda vehicles, including photography and B-roll, please visit the online Mazda media center at [InsideMazda.MazdaUSA.com/Newsroom](https://insidemazda.mazdausa.com/newsroom).

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