OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

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Part 573 Safety Recall Report

23V-260

Manufacturer Name: BMW of North America, LLC

Submission Date: APR 12, 2023 NHTSA Recall No.: 23V-260 Manufacturer Recall No.: NR



Manufacturer Information:

Manufacturer Name: BMW of North America, LLC

Address: P.O. Box 1227

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Company phone: 18005257417

Population:

Number of potentially involved: 1,465 Estimated percentage with defect: 1 %

Vehicle Information:

Vehicle 1: 2023-2023 BMW X1 xDrive28i, X1 M35i

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style: SUV Power Train: GAS

Descriptive Information: Approximately 1,465 vehicles were assembled with safety belts for the second row

outboard seats that may have been pinched by an interior trim panel.

Basis for recall population determination:

Vehicle manufacturing information was reviewed to determine the number and

production date range of potentially affected vehicles.

Recall component difference to non-recall component:

Potentially affected vehicles have been assembled with safety belts for the second

row outboard seats that may have been pinched by an interior trim panel.

Production Dates: AUG 02, 2022 - DEC 12, 2022

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End: NR

Description of Defect:

Description of the Defect: On the second row outboard seats, the safety belts may have been pinched by

an interior trim panel during vehicle assembly.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: In rare cases, this could affect the function of the safety belt, which could

increase the risk of injury to vehicle occupants.

Description of the Cause: NR

Identification of Any Warning NR that can Occur:

Involved Components:

Component Name 1 : Second Row Outboard Seat Safety Belt Component Description : Second Row Outboard Seat Safety Belt

Component Part Number: 6959474, 7910831, 7910832

Supplier Identification:

Component Manufacturer

Name: BMW AG

Address: NR

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Country: NR

Chronology:

On December 22, 2022, during vehicle assembly, an interference between a second row outboard seat safety belt and a vehicle interior trim panel was noticed. A closer examination indicated that a small portion of the belt was pinched by the trim panel in the lower area of the panel near the location of the seat bottom.

Between January and February 2023, efforts were undertaken to understand why the issue may have occurred, and to investigate the possibility of a production process improvement. Various analyses were performed, including vehicle geometry, production system parameters, and production system image techniques.

In March, additional efforts involved engineering analyses including technical assessments. It was suggested that even if the trim panel was interfering with a minor portion of the belt, this might have an affect upon restraint capability. Further reviews were conducted involving images captured during vehicle assembly, and other production and assembly quality information.

Vehicle assembly information was reviewed to determine the number, and production dates, of potentially affected vehicles.

On April 5, 2023, BMW decided to conduct a voluntary safety recall.

BMW has not received any reports, nor is BMW otherwise aware, of any accidents or injuries related to this

issue.

Description of Remedy:

Description of Remedy Program: The safety belts for the second row outboard seats will be inspected and, if necessary, the interior trim panel will be adjusted to remove any

interference with the belt.

Owners will be notified by First Class mail advising them of the recall and to schedule an appointment with an authorized BMW dealer to have the remedy performed for free. If this condition were to occur to a potentially affected vehicle prior to this recall, the remedy would be covered by the BMW New Vehicle Limited Warranty program. Therefore, reimbursement for a pre-notification remedy re Part 573.13 and Part 577.11 is not

necessary.

from Recalled Component: 6959474, 7910831, 7910832

How Remedy Component Differs Recall component: Second Row Outboard Seat Safety Belt – part number:

Identify How/When Recall Condition NR was Corrected in Production:

Recall Schedule:

Description of Recall Schedule: Dealer notification is expected to begin and end on April 12, 2023.

Owner notification is expected to begin and end on June 2, 2023.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: APR 12, 2023 - APR 12, 2023 Planned Owner Notification Date: JUN 02, 2023 - JUN 02, 2023

* NR - Not Reported