#### OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 23V-715

**Manufacturer Name:** Porsche Cars North America, Inc.

NHTSA Recall No.: 23V-715

Manufacturer Recall No.: APB3



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Porsche Cars North America, Inc.

Address: One Porsche Drive

Atlanta GA 30354

Company phone: 1-800-767-7243

## **Population:**

Number of potentially involved : 2,923 Estimated percentage with defect : 100%

#### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2021-2021 Porsche 911 Turbo S

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style :

Power Train: GAS

Descriptive Information : Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.

Production Dates: MAR 15, 2021 - AUG 10, 2021

Vehicle 2: 2022-2022 Porsche 911 Carrera GTS

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.

Production Dates: AUG 30, 2021 - DEC 05, 2022

VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AB2A90NS220127 End: WP0AB2A96NS223064 ✓ Not sequential

Vehicle 3: 2022-2022 Porsche 911 Carrera 4 GTS

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.

Production Dates: JUL 25, 2022 - SEP 10, 2022

VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AB2A90NS222797 End: WP0AB2A96NS223033 ✓ Not sequential

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Vehicle 4: 2022-2022 Porsche 911 GT3
        Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES
          Body Style: 2-DOOR
         Power Train: GAS
Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.
     Production Dates: JUL 07, 2021 - DEC 22, 2022
        Vehicle 5: 2022-2022 Porsche 911 GT3 Touring
        Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES
          Body Style: 2-DOOR
         Power Train: GAS
Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.
     Production Dates : JAN 04, 2022 - DEC 23, 2022
        Vehicle 6: 2022-2022 Porsche 911 Turbo S
        Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES
          Body Style: 2-DOOR
         Power Train: GAS
Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.
     Production Dates: SEP 15, 2021 - SEP 14, 2022
        VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AD2A97NS254303 End: WP0AD2A9XNS256207 ✓ Not sequential
           Vehicle 7: 2022-2022 Porsche 911 Turbo
        Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES
          Body Style: 2-DOOR
         Power Train: GAS
Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.
     Production Dates: SEP 22, 2021 - SEP 22, 2021
        VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AD2A96NS254373 End: WP0AD2A96NS254373 Not sequential
           Vehicle 8: 2023-2023 Porsche 911 Carrera GTS
        Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES
          Body Style: 2-DOOR
         Power Train: GAS
Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.
     Production Dates: SEP 30, 2022 - MAY 04, 2023
        VIN Range 1: Begin: WPOAB2A93PS220111 End: WPOAB2A95PS221759
                                                                         ✓ Not sequential
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Vehicle 9: 2023-2023 Porsche 911 Carrera 4 GTS Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records. Production Dates: OCT 20, 2022 - JUN 06, 2023 VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AB2A97PS220337 End: WP0AB2A91PS221872 Not sequential Vehicle 10: 2023-2023 Porsche 911 Dakar Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records. Production Dates: APR 05, 2023 - SEP 18, 2023 VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AB2A94PS226029 End: WP0AB2A95PS226301 ✓ Not sequential Vehicle 11: 2023-2023 Porsche 911 GT3 Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records. Production Dates: SEP 26, 2022 - SEP 07, 2023 VIN Range 1: Begin: WPOAC2A9XPS270016 End: WPOAC2A9XPS271084 ✓ Not sequential Vehicle 12: 2023-2023 Porsche 911 GT3 Touring Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records. Production Dates: SEP 19, 2022 - JUL 17, 2023 VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AC2A90PS270008 End: WP0AC2A94PS271095 ✓ Not sequential Vehicle 13: 2023-2023 Porsche 911 Turbo S Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records. Production Dates: SEP 26, 2022 - JUN 14, 2023 VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AD2A93PS257055 End: WP0AD2A90PS258485 ✓ Not sequential

Vehicle 14: 2023-2023 Porsche 911 GT3 RS

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.

Production Dates: JAN 27, 2023 - SEP 26, 2023

VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AF2A9XPS278026 End: WP0AF2A93PS278496 ✓ Not sequential

Vehicle 15: 2024-2024 Porsche 911 Carrera T

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.

Production Dates: JUN 26, 2023 - SEP 27, 2023

VIN Range 1: Begin: WP0AA2A90RS207015 End: WP0AA2A98RS207411 ✓ Not sequential

Vehicle 16: 2024-2024 Porsche 911 Carrera GTS

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: Affected vehicles have been identified through production records.

Production Dates: JUL 03, 2023 - JUL 03, 2023

VIN Range 1:Begin: WP0AB2A96RS218095 End: WP0AB2A96RS218095 Not sequential

#### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: Porsche is recalibrating seat-mounted air bag deployment logic in the subject

vehicles equipped with optional Full Bucket Seats to help reduce the potential for ancillary injuries caused by seat-mounted air bag deployment in types of crashes in which such deployment is not warranted and not required by applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards (e.g. frontal crashes with

little or no lateral offset).

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: In the subject vehicles equipped with optional Full Bucket Seats, deploying

seat-mounted air bag has the potential to cause ancillary injuries in types of crashes in which such deployment is not warranted and also not required by

applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standard.

Description of the Cause: Existing air bag deployment logic maximizes seat-mounted air bag deployment,

including in types of crashes in which such deployment is not warranted or required by applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards (e.g. frontal

crashes with little or no lateral offset).

Identification of Any Warning NA that can Occur :

## **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: Airbag Control Unit

Component Description: The airbag control unit is responsible for airbag deployment.

Component Part Number: NA

## **Supplier Identification:**

#### **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Continental Automotive Technologies

Address: Siemensstr. 12

Regensburg Foreign States 93055

Country: Germany

### **Chronology:**

October 2021: Porsche became aware of an internal race track test drive incident in Thailand in a 992 with full bucket seat and side airbag deployment, which resulted in a spleen injury.

- June 2023: Porsche was informed about an accident in Germany in a 992 with full bucket seat and side airbag deployment also during an internal test drive, which also resulted in a spleen injury. Analysis was conducted in order to identify the circumstances of the crash and cause of the injury.
- July 2023: Porsche was informed about an accident in the field in Germany (from May 2023) involving a 992 with full bucket seat and side airbag deployment resulting in a spleen injury to a customer. A vehicle inspection was not possible.
- August 2023: Porsche was informed about a third internal incident in Germany with the described splenic injury in a 992 with full bucket seats and a side airbag deployment. This case was also analyzed in order to discover the circumstances of the crash and cause of the injury.
- Porsche's analysis to date indicates that while the airbags meet all FMVSS requirements, the airbag control unit deployment strategy for the 992 equipped with full bucket seats may lead to spleen injury, in situations where a side airbag is not mandatory.

October 18, 2023 a determination of defect posing an unreasonable risk to safety was made.

## **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Porsche will reprogram the ACU to implement a new seat-mounted air bag

deployment logic in the subject vehicles to reduce deployment in types of crashes in which such deployment is not warranted and not required by

applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

The owner's letter will not include a statement about customer

reimbursement for pre-notification remedies as all of the affected vehicles

are still covered under Porsche New Car Limited Warranty.

How Remedy Component Differs NA

from Recalled Component:

Identify How/When Recall Condition The corrected data set was implemented in production in Calendar Week

was Corrected in Production: 41.

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Customers will be notified of this Recall within 60 days of the filing of this

report. If no remedy is available at 60 days, an interim letter will be sent, followed by a final notification when the remedy becomes available.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NOV 02, 2023 - NOV 02, 2023 Planned Owner Notification Date : DEC 22, 2023 - DEC 22, 2023

\* NR - Not Reported