OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

18V-065

Manufacturer Name: Aston Martin The Americas

Submission Date: JAN 19, 2018 **NHTSA Recall No.:** 18V-065 **Manufacturer Recall No.:** RA-01-1048



Manufacturer Information:

Manufacturer Name: Aston Martin The Americas

Address: Banbury Road

Gaydon Warwick, United Kingdom 00

CV35 0DB

Company phone: 999

Population:

Number of potentially involved: 1,027 Estimated percentage with defect: 74 %

Vehicle Information:

Vehicle 1: 2017-2018 Aston Martin DB11 V12 Coupe

Vehicle Type: LOW VOLUME VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Aston Martin has determined that on certain DB11 vehicles an electrostatic discharge

(ESD), when combined with a damaged steering column control module clock spring

and an insufficient grounding of the steering column upper, may lead to an inadvertent deployment of the driver airbag. October 2017 – Aston Martin was notified by the supplier of the steering column upper of a potential issue regarding that part. Aston Martin immediately launched an investigation into the issue and its

potential effect on certain Aston Martin DB11 vehicles.

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with the defect.

There have been no reports of inadvertent airbag deployment, or injury caused by

this defect on Aston Martin DB11 vehicles.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

Additional grounding added to the steering column on affected vehicles.

Added components: Contact bridge, contact spring.

Production Dates: JUN 09, 2016 - NOV 08, 2017

VIN Range 1: Begin: SCFRMFAV2HGL00040 End: SCFRMFAV6JGL03917 ✓ Not sequential

Vehicle 2: 2017-2018 Aston Martin DB11 V8 Coupe

Vehicle Type: LOW VOLUME VEHICLES

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FMVSS 1: NR

FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: Inadvertent deployment of the driver's airbag can cause injury to the driver

and can increase the risk of a potential crash.

Description of the Cause: An electrostatic discharge (ESD), when combined with a damaged steering

column control module clock spring and an insufficient grounding of the steering column upper, may lead to an inadvertent deployment of the driver

airbag.

Identification of Any Warning A customer will be alerted to a potential fault by the airbag warning in the

that can Occur: instrument cluster and an additional warning message.

Supplier Identification:

Component Manufacturer

Name: Daimler AG

Address: 137 Mercedesstrasse

Stuttgart FOREIGN STATES 70327

Country: Germany

Chronology:

Please see Recall 17V-627.

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Description of Remedy:

Description of Remedy Program: Install a contact bridge and a contact spring that will provide a suitable

ground path for the steering column.

Owners will be notified to take their vehicle to an Aston Martin Dealer. The installation of the contact bridge and contact spring will be completed at

no cost to the owner.

How Remedy Component Differs Additional grounding added to the steering column on affected vehicles.

from Recalled Component: Added components: Contact bridge, Part No HY53-SE14A664-BA Contact

spring Part No HY53-SE14A664-AA

Identify How/When Recall Condition A change has been implemented into the steering column design to include

was Corrected in Production: an additional grounding path.

Recall Schedule:

Description of Recall Schedule: It is Aston Martin's intention to notify all customers listed in table in

573.6(c) (2) above. Aston Martin will provide copies of the notification

schedule, including mail dates for the owner letter, when available.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : JAN 29, 2018 - JAN 29, 2018

Planned Owner Notification Date: MAR 01, 2018 - MAR 11, 2018

* NR - Not Reported