OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

21V-596

Manufacturer Name: Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

Submission Date: AUG 23, 2021 **NHTSA Recall No.:** 21V-596 **Manufacturer Recall No.:** SR-21-007



Manufacturer Information:

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Manufacturer Name: Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

Address: 4031 Aspen Grove Dr. Suite 650

Franklin TN 37067

Company phone: 1-888-648-7820

Population:

Number of potentially involved: 3,735

Estimated percentage with defect: 2 %

Vehicle Information:

Vehicle 1: 2022-2022 Mitsubishi Outlander

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style: SUV Power Train: GAS

Descriptive Information: Only vehicles equipped with the suspected seat belt assemblies manufactured by the

supplier between December 2020 and January 2021.

Production Dates: FEB 20, 2021 - APR 13, 2021

VIN Range 1: Begin: JA4J4VA80NZ006243 End: JA4J4UA83NZ010426 Not sequential

Description of Noncompliance:

Description of the The ALR (Automatic Locking Retractor) function of the subject seat belt

Noncompliance: assemblies may deactivate before the webbing is fully retracted due to

dimensionally out of tolerance ALR levers. This condition, if it exists, does not

comply with FMVSS 208 and increases risk of serious injury or death.

FMVSS 1: 208 - Occupant crash protection

FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: If the ALR function deactivates while an affected seat belt is used to secure a

child restraint seat, the child restraint seat may not be tightly secured, which

increases risk of serious injury or death.

Description of the Cause: According to Autoliv, the subcomponent supplier of the ALR levers used in the

subject seat belt assemblies produced dimensionally out of tolerance parts that may cause the ALR to deactivate before the seat belt webbing is fully retracted.

Identification of Any Warning None

that can Occur:

Involved Components:

Component Name 1: S/BELT ASSY, OTR RH (FR)

Component Description: NR

Component Part Number: 7000F772XA

Component Name 2: S/BELT ASSY, OTR LH (RR)

Component Description: NR

Component Part Number: 7000F801XA

Component Name 3: S/BELT ASSY, OTR RH (RR)

Component Description: NR

Component Part Number: 7000F802XA

Supplier Identification:

Component Manufacturer

Name: Autoliv Inc.

Address: 7 KLARABERGSVIADUKTEN

70, WORLDTRADE CTR STOCKHOLM Foreign States 111 64

Country: Sweden

Chronology:

On June 09, 2021, Mitsubishi Motors Corporation (MMC) received an explanation about this issue from Autoliv Japan. MMC began investigating this issue.

On July 26, 2021, MMC determined that a field action was necessary in the US, and advised Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. (MMNA) to conduct a non-compliance recall. MMNA is not aware of any claims or injuries related to this condition.

Description of Remedy:

Description of Remedy Program: Owners of all potentially affected vehicles will be notified and encouraged to bring in their vehicle for inspection. The right front seat belt assembly and both the right and left second row seat belt assemblies will be inspected. If a seat belt assembly manufactured with a dimensionally out of tolerance ALR lever is found, it will be replaced with a new seat belt assembly. Owners seeking reimbursement for any expenses associated with this recall will be directed in the notification letter to contact the Mitsubishi Customer Relations Department for instructions on how to apply for a refund.

How Remedy Component Differs The recalled components are as follows. The part number has not been from Recalled Component: changed between the remedy and the recalled components.

> 7000F772XA S/BELT ASSY, OTR RH (FR) 7000F801XA S/BELT ASSY, OTR LH (RR) 7000F802XA S/BELT ASSY, OTR RH (RR)

Identify How/When Recall Condition The supplier started using the ALR lever not dimensionally out of was Corrected in Production: tolerance in production from January 2021.

Recall Schedule:

Description of Recall Schedule: MMNA is working internally to determine the dealer and customer

notification date and will update accordingly.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: SEP 07, 2021 - SEP 07, 2021 Planned Owner Notification Date: SEP 28, 2021 - SEP 28, 2021

* NR - Not Reported