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Recall Statement - Skid Plate (2010 Jeep Wrangler)

May 18, 2012, Auburn Hills, Mich. - On May 15, 2012, Chrysler Group LLC notified the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration that the company will voluntarily recall approximately 67,872 model-year 2010 Jeep Wranglers in the U.S. to replace the vehicle's automatic transmission skid plate with a skid bar.

For the 2010 model year, the catalytic converter was relocated for emissions compliance. The new location is closer to a skid plate, a condition that could permit debris accumulation, particularly when driving off-road or through heavy brush.

If debris is not cleared from the underbody, as the owner's guide instructs, it could pose a fire risk because of its proximity to the catalytic converter.

Chrysler Group will replace the skid plate on 2010 Jeep Wranglers with a skid bar, a design change implemented in late 2010 and in subsequent model years as a weight-savings measure.

Chrysler Group is unaware of any injuries associated with these incidents.

The recall encompasses only those 2010 model-year vehicles equipped with automatic transmissions and built prior to July 14, 2010. Affected owners will be contacted by Chrysler Group.

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