Safety Recall 22V-119

Positive Crankcase Ventilation (PCV) Valve Heater N51, N52, N52K Engines Model Year 2006-2013 BMW 1 Series, 3 Series, 5 Series, Z4 BMW X3 SAV, X5 SAV

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Q1. Which BMW models in the US are potentially affected by this Safety Recall?

Approximately 917,000 BMW 1 Series, 3 Series, 5 Series, Z4, X3 SAV and X5 SAV models produced between January 2005 and October 2013, are potentially affected.

Q2. What is the issue?

Due to supplier production issues of the Positive Crankcase Ventilation (PCV) valve heater, this could lead to a short circuit.

Q3. What can happen?

Should a short circuit occur, the PCV valve heater could overheat, lead to smoldering, and possibly start melting. In extremely rare cases, this could increase the risk of a fire.

Q4. Did BMW conduct a similar Safety Recall? Yes, in 2017 and 2019.

Q5. If I had a similar Safety Recall performed previously, will I need to have this Safety Recall performed?

Yes. Your vehicle will need to have the 2022 Safety Recall performed.

Q6. Why are other models not included in this Safety Recall?

Other models have different engine and PCV valve heater configurations.

Q7. Do I need to stop driving my vehicle?

No. The possibility of this issue occurring is extremely rare.

However, you should stop driving your vehicle if any of the following warning signs occur:

- You see smoke from the area near the engine compartment.
- You smell smoke, or a plastic burning odor.

If any of these warning signs occur, carefully move away from traffic, pull over to a safe location, and shut off the engine. All occupants should carefully exit the vehicle and move to a safe location away from traffic. Do not continue to drive your vehicle.

<u>Dial 911 in the event of an emergency</u> or contact BMW Roadside Assistance at 1-800-332-4269 immediately to have your vehicle brought to the nearest authorized BMW center. You will be responsible to pay for the tow if you no longer have coverage. BMW will reimburse you for the towing service, if the issue is confirmed to be related to this recall.

Q8. Can I determine if this issue exists in my vehicle?

No. This can only be determined through proper inspection at an authorized BMW center.

Q9. How did BMW become aware of the problem?

BMW became aware of the problem through our quality control procedures.

Q10. How will I be informed of this Safety Recall?

Owners of potentially affected vehicles will receive a <u>letter in April</u> via first class mail advising them of this Safety Recall. Owners will receive another letter when parts become available, requesting they schedule an appointment with an authorized BMW center as soon as possible to have this Safety Recall performed.

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For the latest updates to this Safety Recall, please visit <u>bmwusa.com/recall</u>. <u>If you are not the only driver of this vehicle, please advise all other drivers of this important information</u>.

To ensure BMW has your recent contact and vehicle information, owners should visit bmwusa.com/recall and click on "Manage recall notices and contact information".

Q11. Do I have to wait for my letter to have my vehicle serviced?

Yes. We are in the process of implementing this Safety Recall to ensure that the necessary parts, tools, and procedures are available. For the latest updates to this recall, please visit bmwusa.com/recall.