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## **Statement: Clamp**

December 24, 2015, Auburn Hills, Mich. - FCA US LLC is voluntarily recalling an estimated 60,107 SUVs in the U.S. to inspect and reposition, as needed, a clamp that secures a low-pressure return hose.

An FCA US investigation discovered clamps in some vehicles produced during a five-month period this year may be out of position. This may allow rapid loss of power steering fluid. Leakage onto a hot surface may pose a potential fire hazard.

## The Company is unaware of any related injuries or accidents.

Affected are model-year 2015 Jeep Compass and Patriot SUVs. An estimated 5,755 vehicles will be recalled in Canada; 3,351 in Mexico; and 23,995 outside the NAFTA region.

Affected customers will be advised when they may schedule service, which will be provided free of charge.

If the condition occurs, steering is not lost. However, greater physical effort may be required to steer the vehicle. Customers who experience this and/or observe evidence of a fluid leak, are urged to contact their dealers.

Reported incidents of fluid leaks predominantly involve vehicles with very low mileage. However, customers are urged to heed the instructions in their recall notices.

Customers with questions or concerns may also call the FCA US Customer Information Center at 1-800-853-1403.

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