OFFICE OF DEFECTS INVESTIGATION



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## **ODI RESUME**

Investigation: PE24013
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**Subject:** Inadvertent Automatic Emergency Braking

### **MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION**

**Manufacturer:** Fisker Group Inc **Products:** 2023 Fisker Ocean **Population:** 6,813 (Estimated)

**Problem** Inadvertent activation of the automatic emergency braking system **Description:** resulting in sudden vehicle deceleration, increasing the risk of a crash.

# FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

|                       | OD<br>I | Manufacture<br>r | EWR<br>D&I | Othe<br>r | Tota<br>I | EWR Field<br>Reports |
|-----------------------|---------|------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| All Incidents:        | 8       | 0                | 0          | 0         | 8         | 0                    |
| Crashes/Fires:        | 0       | 0                | 0          | 0         | 0         | 0                    |
| Injury Incidents:     | 1       | 0                | 0          | 0         | 0         | 0                    |
| Number of Injuries:   | 1       | 0                | 0          | 0         | 1         | 0                    |
| Fatality Incidents:   | 0       | 0                | 0          | 0         | 0         | 0                    |
| Number of Fatalities: | 0       | 0                | 0          | 0         | 0         | 0                    |

### **ACTION/SUMMARY INFORMATION**

**Action:** A Preliminary Evaluation (PE) has been opened.

#### **Summary:**

The Office of Defects Investigation (ODI) has received 8 complaints alleging inadvertent Automatic Emergency Braking (AEB) activation on model year 2023 Fisker Ocean vehicles manufactured by Fisker Group Inc. The complaints allege the activation of AEB, without an apparent roadway obstruction in the vehicle's forward path, resulting in sudden vehicle deceleration. This occurs without adequate warning or input from the driver. The braking applications range from momentary, partial application resulting in rapid loss of speed to full application, which brings the vehicle to a complete stop in the travel lane. Three of the

complaints alleged an injury.

ODI is opening this Preliminary Evaluation (PE) to determine the scope and severity of the potential problem and to fully assess the potential safety-related issues. To review the ODI reports cited in the Opening Resume ODI Report Identification Number document, go to NHTSA.gov.

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