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Defect may prevent vehicle from performing shifts.

Chrysler has recalled around 298,439 2013-2016 Dodge Dart vehicles equipped with 6-speed automatic transmissions because the shifter cable bushing may fail, allowing the shift cable to detach from the transmission. The company warns that if the shifter cable detaches from the transmission, the vehicle may not perform the shifts performed by the driver. Additionally, despite selecting PARK with the shifter, the vehicle may roll away. These scenarios may increase the risk of a crash (*NHTSA Recall Notice*, No. 19V293, Report receipt date: April 11, 2019).

Remedy. Chrysler will notify owners, and dealers will replace the transmission side shifter cable bushing, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on May 31, 2019.

Contact information. Owners may contact Chrysler customer service at 1-800-853-1403. Chrysler's number for this recall is V34.Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

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