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Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for the courtesy copy of your correspondence to the General Motors Corporation (GM), dated November 30, 2004, detailing the actions you have taken in response to receiving a safety recall notification letter that affected your model year (MY) 1995 Oldsmobile Aurora vehicle. Your correspondence was received on December 22, 2004. Due to limited resources we were not able to respond to you in a more timely manner. We regret any inconvenience our delay may have caused you.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is the Federal agency responsible for improving safety on our Nation's highways. We are authorized to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain serious safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. We also monitor the adequacy of manufacturers' recall campaigns. In order for the agency to initiate an investigation, we look carefully at the body of consumer complaints and other available data to determine whether a defect or recall inadequacy may exist. We cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

We appreciate the report you provided. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. Each report is analyzed and entered into a database to help us determine whether an investigation into a possible safety defect or recall inadequacy is warranted.

On October 30, 2003, NHTSA's Office of Defects Investigation (ODI) opened a safety defect investigation (PE03-050) into reports alleging fuel rail failure resulting in under hood fuel leakage in certain MY 1995 through 1997 GM vehicles, which included MY 1995 Oldsmobile Aurora vehicles. On February 3, 2004, ODI upgraded that investigation to an engineering analysis (EA04-003). An engineering analysis is a more detailed and complete technical analysis of the character and scope of an alleged defect.



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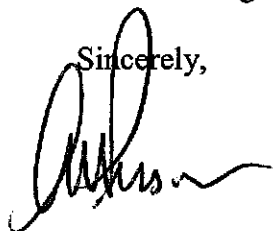
By letter dated March 3, 2004, GM notified NHTSA that it would conduct a safety recall (NHTSA Campaign No. 04V-110) to remedy a defect found to exist within the fuel system, specifically the construction of the fuel rail, in certain MY 1995 through 1997 Oldsmobile Aurora vehicles. Then, by letter dated April 16, 2004, GM notified NHTSA that it would expand the scope of its safety recall campaign to include certain MY 1995 through 1997 Cadillac Eldorado, Seville, and Deville vehicles. On April 23, 2004, subsequent to receiving GM's April 16, 2004, letter, ODI closed EA04-003. For your information, we have enclosed copies of the closing resume for PE03-050; GM's letters dated March 3, 2004, and April 16, 2004; the summary of Recall No. 04V-110; and the closing resume for EA04-003.

Chapter 301 of Title 49 of the United States Code, Section 30120, Remedies for defects and noncompliance, requires the manufacturer of a defective or noncompliant motor vehicle to remedy the defect or noncompliance without charge when the vehicle is presented for remedy. The manufacturer is provided three methods which it may choose from to remedy a defect or noncompliance that is associated with a motor vehicle: (1) by repairing the vehicle; (2) by replacing the vehicle with an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle; or (3) by refunding the purchase price, less a reasonable allowance for depreciation. However, relinquishing ownership of a vehicle without providing the manufacturer an opportunity to repair a defect or noncompliance in accordance with a safety recall may result in negative consequences with respect to your credit report, which NHTSA cannot act to resolve should the financing company report that no payment was received.

If the safety-related corrective action for Recall No. 04V-110 has not been performed, NHTSA strongly recommends that work be accomplished on your MY 1995 Oldsmobile Aurora vehicle as soon as possible by making an appointment with an authorized GM dealer. While we cannot guarantee the success of the remedy as installed in your vehicle by your dealer, we do not have any reason to believe that the corrective action submitted by the manufacturer will not be effective. Please notify the U.S. Department of Transportation's Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236, and the manufacturer's representative, listed in your vehicle's owner's manual, if the safety-related corrective action described in the manufacturer's defect notification letter did not correct the problem.

If further assistance is needed, please contact Mr. Alberto A. Jimenez, Chief, Correspondence Research Division, Office of Defects Investigation, at (202) 366-5211.

Sincerely,

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