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G. Richard Wagoner, Jr.
Chairman
General Motors Corporation
300 Renaissance Center
Detroit, MI 48265

RE: Chevrolet Express Cargo Van
Serial # 1GCGG25R11
Fleet # 811980

Dear Mr. Wagoner:

Recently we experienced a fire in one of our 2001 Chevrolet Express Cargo Vans, Serial # 1GCGG25R11. In checking our file, we have not received any recall notices pertaining to this vehicle. We would appreciate it if you would verify that information for us. We are extremely concerned because we have a fleet of fifty (50) delivery vans, including thirty-nine Chevrolet vans and seven (7) vans of that same year and model still active in our fleet.

Here is a summary of the accident. The vehicle was in "Park", the ignition was off, and the van was in the process of being unloaded from the rear doors. The driver thought she smelled smoke. She told another worker who came to see it. By that time, flames were shooting out between the dashboard and windshield. Our employees used a fire extinguisher, but were unable to put out the fire.

The vehicle ended up engulfed in flames and was totally destroyed. Please advise us if this has happened to any other 2001 Express Cargo Van.

If you need any additional information, please contact _____ or me at _____

Sincerely,

JR:jb
cc: Donnie Edwards
✓ National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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