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Re: [REDACTED]

Brook Park, Ohio [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Harrington: *Michael*;

I am writing on behalf of the above referenced constituent [REDACTED] is having a problem with the head gaskets on his and his family's 2001 GMC automobiles leaking coolant fluid into the cars' oil systems, having the potential to ruin the engines if ignored. Enclosed are copies of all pertinent documents.

Any assistance your office could provide would be greatly appreciated. If you need any additional information, please contact me [REDACTED]

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Martin D. Gelfand
District Office Congressional Staff

Enclosure

*It was good to meet you at the auto show in January.
I hope you could help this constituent. Thanks!*

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March 14, 2006

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Office of Defects Investigation
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Re: 2001 Model Chevrolet

Dear Sirs:

My wife has a 2001 Malibu and I have a 2001 Venture. In December 2005, and just one week apart both vehicles had to undergo significant repairs for the very same problem. There apparently was a head gasket leaking coolant fluid into the oil system and could have ruined the engine if it was ignored. Repairs to both vehicles were very expensive and the cost was at the burden of the customer.

Just this past week, my brother-in-law had to have the very same repair done to his 2001 Venture. Again the expense was entirely at his expense. Apparently this is not an issue exclusively to our family. The automobile dealers have told us that they have had many such repairs on this line of General Motors vehicles.

This is clearly an issue that should lie clearly on the shoulders of General Motors Corporation. They made the vehicles and the pattern is clear that it is not an isolated problem. Why has there not been a recall relating to this particular problem? These types of issues make it difficult for potential customers to return to them to purchase future automobiles. It is outrageous that the customer is forced to pay such an expense for something that is defective and clearly the responsibility of the automaker.

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted signature]

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