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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your correspondence concerning your model year (MY) 1999 GMC Pick-up truck. Your correspondence was received on June 20, 2006. We regret any inconvenience our delay in responding 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 may exist. We cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

A review of our database relative to rear frame cracks on MY 1999 GMC vehicles revealed insufficient evidence to warrant a safety defect investigation. However, in order for us to record specific information concerning the frame cracking behind the rear axle wheel well area certain information must be provided e.g., model name (example C15, C1500, C2500, S10, Sierra 1500, etc). Additionally the vehicle identification number (VIN) you provided is incomplete. Please provide a complete VIN. Please fill out and return the enclosed pre-addressed, postage-paid Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire (VOQ). The information you provide will be entered into our database and considered with other reports to identify any safety-related defect trends that may require our attention. Please mark the appropriate authorization box and sign the form. Your information may assist General Motors Corporation and NHTSA in determining if a safety-related defect exists.

You can contact our toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline (Hotline) at 1-888-DASH-2-DOT (1-888-327-4236). One of our representatives may be able to assist you on matters concerning motor vehicle and motor vehicle equipment safety recalls or to report an alleged safety problem.



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You can also request safety information. If our telephones are busy, or you call during non-working hours, you can leave your name, telephone number, and a brief subject on our recording system. A DOT Hotline representative will return your call.

Additionally, we have an Internet Web site at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov> that you may want to visit. An electronic VOQ is also available on this Web site at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/ivoq>. This form is for vehicle owners to report safety related problems about their motor vehicles or motor vehicle equipment, e.g., child safety seats, jacks, tires, brake fluid, etc. The reports submitted are transferred to our database and are used to identify safety-related defect trends that require our attention. If you do not have access to the Internet, please use the enclosed VOQ to inform this agency of any future motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment safety problems you may experience. Also, a summary listing of vehicle owners' complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc., can be obtained at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems>.

Sincerely,



Alberto A. Jimenez, Chief
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