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Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for the correspondence received by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation. We apologize for the use of this form letter; however, due to the number of letters received with regard to vehicle safety problems and recalls and the limited resources available to this agency, we are responding to your correspondence in this manner. A member of our staff may contact you if further information is needed.

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, sufficient data must exist to warrant the expenditure of agency resources. 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 compiled into a database to assist us in identifying potential motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment safety defect problems and recall inadequacies that require our attention. Problems associated recall actions and reimbursement requests relating to a safety recall are sent to the manufacturer and a request that it be reviewed for a possible resolution. Reimbursement requests relating to failure of a product that is not related to a safety recall do not fall under our jurisdiction. You may consider contacting your local Consumer Protection Agency, the Better Business Bureau, or your State's Office of the Attorney General for assistance.

If you wish to update or provide additional information, e.g., copies of repair invoices, police report where a crash occurred, fire department report when a fire occurred, or more detailed



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information about the incident(s) relating to safety, please complete and attach the additional information to the enclosed Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire. The information you provide will be used to update your report.

In cases where an investigation is initiated or your report relates to a current investigation, a copy of your report is provided to the manufacturer of the product being investigated. The Privacy Act prohibits our agency from providing your personal identifiers (name, address, and mailing zip code) to the manufacturer without your permission. Please mark the appropriate authorization box and sign the form.

If you have access to the Internet, you may obtain information about consumer complaints, recalls, investigations, manufacturer's services bulletins and other safety related information by accessing NHTSA website at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems>.

If further assistance is needed with regard to a safety recall action, please contact Mr. Richard Willard, Consumer Safety Officer, Office of Defects Investigation, Recall Management Division, at: 1-800-986-9678 Ext. 66544.

Sincerely,



Alberto A. Jimenez, Chief
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Mr. Daniel C. Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 5321, MC: NVS-200
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Smith:

The following is an update to the information in our September 13, 2005 letter concerning recall 05087/15021/NHTSA 05V-399. The subject recall relates to the ignition discharge module (IDM) functionality. When the IDM malfunctions, under certain driving conditions it may cause an engine stall and/or thermal damage to certain underhood and underbody components.

Since deciding to recall 2001 model year Saab 9-5 vehicles equipped with a B308 6 cylinder gasoline engine, GM has received additional complaints for 2002 model year vehicles equipped with 6 cylinder engines. This new information was presented to the Global Powertrain Field Performance Evaluation Review Committee and GM has now decided to include model year 2002 and 2003 Saab 9-5 vehicles equipped with a B308 6 cylinder gasoline engine in recall 05087/15021/NHTSA 05V-399. GM dealers will inspect the affected vehicles and replace IDMs that were built prior to January 2003 when the improved version was implemented in vehicle production.

This information is submitted pursuant to the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

Draft copies of the dealer bulletin and owner letter will be forwarded when available. GM will launch this recall for the 2002-2003 model year 9-5 models vehicles in December 2006.

Please call me if you have any questions regarding this update.

Sincerely,

Gay P. Kent
Director
Product Investigations

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Attachments

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VEHICLES POTENTIALLY AFFECTED BY MAKE, MODEL, AND MODEL YEAR
PLUS INCLUSIVE DATES OF MANUFACTURE

MAKE	MODEL SERIES	MODEL YEAR	NUMBER INVOLVED	INCLUSIVE MANUFACTURING DATES		DESCRIPTIVE INFO. TO PROPERLY IDENT. VEH.	EST. NO. W/CONDITION
				(FROM)	(TO)		
Saab	9-3	2000	17,757	6/1999	6/2000	4 Cylinder	* Unknown
Saab	9-3	2001	20,767	6/2000	6/2001	4 Cylinder	"
Saab	9-3	2002	17,954	6/2001	6/2002	4 Cylinder	"
Saab	9-5	2000	11,224	6/1999	6/2000	4 Cylinder	"
Saab	9-5	2001	14,681	6/2000	6/2001	4 Cylinder	"
Saab	9-5	2002	12,702	6/2001	6/2002	4 Cylinder	"
Saab	9-5	2001	8,117	6/2000	6/2001	6 Cylinder	"

Additional Vehicles:

Saab	9-5	2002	2,530	6/2001	6/2002	6 Cylinder	"
Saab	9-5	2003	2,548	6/2002	6/2003	6 Cylinder	"

Estimated GM Total: 108,280

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