



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE 07-033
Date Opened: 06/28/2007
Principal Investigator: Cheryl Rose
Subject: Engine Stalling - Fuel Pump Failure

Manufacturer: General Motors Corp.
Products: 2003 MY Chevrolet Cavalier
Population: 218,000 (estimated)

Problem Description: The fuel pump fails, causing the engine to shut down and stall suddenly.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	13		
Crashes/Fires:	0		
Injury Incidents:	0		
# Injuries:	0		
Fatality Incidents:	0		
# Fatalities:	0		
Other*:	10		

*Description Of Other: Additional fuel pump failure complaints

Action: A Preliminary Evaluation (PE) has been opened.

Engineer: Cheryl Rose *CR*
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Summary: ODI has received 13 reports of alleged engine stalling due to the failure of the fuel pump on the subject vehicles. All complainants reported that the engine shut down suddenly and most reported that the vehicle would not restart. The majority of the stalling incidents reportedly occurred while driving between 35 and 55 mph and in vehicles with 32,000 to 66,000 miles on them.

An additional 10 complainants, shown in "other" in the failure report summary above, reported that their fuel pump failed and required replacement.

A Preliminary Evaluation has been opened to assess the scope, frequency, and potential safety-related consequences of the alleged defect.