



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

ODI RESUME

Investigation: RQ09-001
Date Opened: 02/25/2009
Principal Investigator: Peter Ong
Subject: Brake Lamp Switch Malfunction

Manufacturer: General Motors Corp., Isuzu Manufacturing Services of America
Products: 2004-2006 GM Colorado/Canyon and 2006 Isuzu I-280/I0350 PU
Population: 405,000 (estimated)

Problem Description: Alleged failure of brake lamp switch installed in subject vehicles as Recall Remedy (06V-139). May result in loss of proper brake lamp illumination and/or delayed cruise control disengagement.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	9		
Crashes/Fires:	1		
Injury Incidents:	0		
# Injuries:	0		
Fatality Incidents:	0		
# Fatalities:	0		
Other:	0		

Description of Other:

Action: Open this Recall Query.

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Date: 02/25/2009

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Summary:

On April 26, 2006, GM notified the agency that it will conduct a Safety Recall (NHTSA #06V-139) for model year (MY) 2004-2006 Colorado and Canyon and MY 2006 Isuzu I-280 and I-350 light duty pickup vehicles. GM indicated in the Part 573 letter that the cause of the brake lamp switch failure was insufficient plating thickness on the stationary contact.

Since that time, ODI has received nine complaints from subject vehicle owners alleging intermittent and repeated brake lamp switch malfunctions of the Recall Remedy switch. Some of the complainants indicated close calls from approaching vehicles and one owner (VOQ#10202893) alleged that his vehicle was lightly struck from behind at a stop light due to his brake lights not working.