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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
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N090188

PE09-032

Dear Mr. Quandt:

Per the N090188_PE09032 investigation closing resume, General Motors (GM) is notifying the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a claim that may be related to the alleged defect.

GM received the claim on 10 Dec 09 which involved a 2007 Saab 9-3 Aero equipped with the 2.8L V6 Turbo (LP9) engine. This vehicle had an alleged thermal incident on Aug 09. GM Product Investigations was notified of this incident on 4 Jan 10. GM Engineering reviewed the attached information and on 6 Jan 10 determined that it may be related to the alleged defect.

This vehicle had 582 days in service at the time of the alleged incident. The vehicle had 12,875 accumulated miles at the time of the alleged incident, which is unusually low mileage for 582 days in service. This mileage is within the range of the previous fires reported for this condition. Due to the low mileage of this vehicle, GM has not changed its characterization of this issue as one that occurs early in the service life of the vehicle.

GM is presently working to understand the nature of the thermal incident and the circumstances involved. The documentation for the alleged incident is not complete, but in the interest of timely reporting to the NHTSA, GM is submitting the available documents at this time. In the event GM obtains additional documentation, GM will furnish this documentation to the NHTSA when available.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Gay P. Kent,
Director, Product Investigations
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Attachments

