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Dar Mr. Sonye:

We have reviewed General Motors Corporation's (GM) Noncompliance Information Report dated September 29, 1999, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 235 Chevrolet 2000 Venture, Pontiac Montana, and Oldsmobile Silhouette vehicles manufactured during August 1999. These vehicles do not comply with the requirements of the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 301, "Fuel System Integrity." Some of these vehicles have inoperative fuel tank rollover valves and fuel leakage would exceed the permissible amount in a rollover test. In a vehicle rollover, if an ignition source is present, a fire could result. **The assigned ID Number for this recall campaign is 99V-268 (GM Recall No. 99061).**

GM is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership. You should know that the agency provides a listing of safety recalls to the media at the end of each month. This recall may be a part of that listing.

Quarterly Status Reports

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification was expected to begin during October 1999. Therefore, the first quarterly report is due by January 30, 2000.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

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