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Dear Mr. Sonye:

We have reviewed General Motors Corporation's (GM) Noncompliance Information Report dated May 31, 2000, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 4,300 GM 1999-2000 Cadillac Escalade sport utility vehicles equipped with a floor mounted Rosen video entertainment center, which fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 301, "Fuel System Integrity." Due to the method of installation of the video entertainment center by the installer, the vehicle may not meet the fuel spillage requirements of the standard in a vehicle crash. The assigned recall identification number for this recall is 00V-153 (GM Recall No. 00052).

GM is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership.

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. The current quarter began July 1 and ends on September 30, 2000. If owner notification begins during this time period, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by October 30, 2000.

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

Sincerely,

Jonathan D. White, Chief
Recall Analysis Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Safety Assurance

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF NONCOMPLIANCE
INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 00V-153 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Part 573 Report Date: **May 31, 2000**

MANUFACTURER: **General Motors Corporation (GM)**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **Mr. Frank C. Sonye, Jr.
Director, Product Investigations**

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SUBJECT: 4,300 GM 1999-2000 Cadillac Escalade sport utility vehicles equipped with a floor mounted Rosen video entertainment center, fail to conform to the requirements of FMVSS No. 301, "Fuel System Integrity." Due to the method of installation of the video entertainment center by the installed, the vehicle may not meet the fuel spillage requirements of the standard in a vehicle crash. GM Recall No. 00052.

This is an initial acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle which fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

Please provide the draft owner notification letter so we can review it before it is mailed to owners as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please call:



Patricia Wallace, Recall Analyst on (202) 366-5232
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