ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573

Assigned Recall No. <u>04V-036</u> by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: January 27, 2004 Date Faxed/E-Mailed: February 5, 2004

MANUFACTURER: General Motors Corporation

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SUBJECT: 1,415,231 MY 1998 Buick Skylark, Pontiac Grand Am, Oldsmobile Achieva, and 1998 through 2001 Chevrolet Cavalier and Pontiac Sunfire vehicles. If the engine fails to start and the driver holds the key in the "Start" position for an extended period, high current flows through the ignition switch, and sometimes produces enough heat to melt internal switch parts. If the switch is damaged, a fire could occur in the steering column, even with the engine off and the key removed. *GM Recall No. 04002*.

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be written only if we have additional comments or concerns,

We have reviewed your draft owner notification letters and they meet the requirements of Part 577.

As stated in Part 573.7, 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 is expected to begin during February 2004. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by April 30, 2004.

If you have any questions, please call:

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