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Ms. Gay Kent  
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Dear Ms. Kent:

General Motors North America (GM) is requested, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30165, 30166, and 30119, to renotify owners involved in safety recall 04V-225 who have not had their vehicles corrected or otherwise accounted for. This recall involves 736 GM 2003 Chevrolet Express, GMC Savana, 2003-2004 Chevrolet Silverado, and GMC Sierra extended and regular cab pickup trucks and cargo vans converted to compressed natural gas (CNG) fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 225, "Child Restraint Anchorage Systems." These vehicles have one seating position, the center rear seat, equipped with child restraint lower anchorages. The standard requires child seat lower anchorages in two seating positions for vehicles with three rear seating positions. (GM Recall No. 04038) Owner notification began on September 2, 2004. Through the fourth quarter of 2005, GM's sixth reporting quarter, GM reports that of the 736 vehicles involved, 268 have been remedied, resulting in a completion rate of 36 percent.

GM should conduct the owner renotification in accordance with the guidelines listed below.

- Before conducting the owner renotification, GM should obtain an updated owner list, for this recall campaign, based on current state motor vehicle registration records.

- GM's proposed owner renotification letter for this recall must meet the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.10, "Follow-up Notification," and must be submitted to NHTSA for review before owner renotification begins. Part 577.10(e)(1) specifically requires that the renotification letter be identified as a ". . . follow-up to an earlier communication."
- In addition to the six quarterly status reports required under 49 CFR Part 573.6, "Quarterly Reports," GM is requested to file three additional quarterly status reports.
- Furnish a proposed schedule for conducting the owner renotification that includes the following information:
  - a. the date on which the search of current state motor vehicle registration records will be initiated in order to update the original owner list;
  - b. the approximate date on which the revised owner list will be available to initiate owner renotification;
  - c. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will begin; and
  - d. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will be completed (if the owner renotification is to be staggered, give the beginning and ending owner renotification date for each segment).

GM's renotification schedule and a draft of the proposed owner renotification letter must be submitted to this office by March 15, 2006.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Kelly Schuler of my staff at (202) 366-5227, by fax at (202) 366-7882, or by e-mail at [kschuler@nhtsa.dot.gov](mailto:kschuler@nhtsa.dot.gov).

Sincerely,



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