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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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GAY KENT GENERAL MOTORS CORP. MAIL CODE 480-111-E15 30200 MOUND ROAD WARREN MI 48090-9055 NVS-215 05V-055

Subject: SHIFT LEVER POSITION INDICATOR ILLUMINATION

Dear MS. KENT:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect or noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

CADILLAC/ESCALADE/2005 CADILLAC/ESCALADE ESV/2005 CADILLAC/ESCALADE EXT/2005 CHEVROLET/AVALANCHE/2005 CHEVROLET/SILVERADO/2005 CHEVROLET/SUBURBAN/2005 CHEVROLET/TAHOE/2005 GMC/SIERRA/2005 GMC/YUKON/2005 GMC/YUKON XL/2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-055 Recall Date: February 14, 2005

Components:

POWER TRAIN: MANUAL TRANSMISSION: SHIFT PATTERN INDICATOR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 7,194

Summary:

CERTAIN SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH AN AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION, FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 102, "TRANSMISSION SHIFT LEVER SEQUENCE, STARTER INTERLOCK AND TRANSMISSION BRAKING EFFECT." UNDER CERTAIN VEHICLE STARTING CONDITIONS, THE SHIFT LEVER POSITION INDICATOR LOCATED IN THE INSTRUMENT PANEL CLUSTER MAY NOT ILLUMINATE. IF THE SHIFT LEVER POSITION INDICATOR DOES NOT ILLUMINATE, THE DRIVER MAY NOT KNOW WHICH GEAR THE VEHICLE IS IN.

Consequence:

THE VEHICLE MAY MOVE IN AN UNINTENDED DIRECTION RESULTING IN POSSIBLE INJURY TO OTHERS OUTSIDE OF THE VEHICLE.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPROGRAM THE INSTRUMENT PANEL CLUSTER. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN FEBRUARY 18, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT CADILLAC AT 1-866-982-2339, CHEVROLET AT 1-800-630-2438, AND GMC AT 1-866-996-9463.

Notes:

GM RECALL NO. 05023. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

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, the recall is expected to begin on February 18, 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by April 30, 2005.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov or delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

George H. Person

Sincerely,

Chief, Recall Management Division