GM SERVICE AND PARTS OPERATIONS DCS1349 URGENT - DISTRIBUTE IMMEDIATELY

Date:

February 18, 2005

Subject:

Upcoming Safety Recall

05015 / Seat Latch Release Lever

Model:

2005 Saturn Relay

2005 Chevrolet Uplander 2005 Pontiac Montana

To:

All Saturn, Chevrolet and Pontiac Dealers

Attention:

Dealer Operator, General Manager, Sales Manager, Used Car Manager, Service Manager, Parts Manager

and Warranty Administrator

Based on information from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) web site, the media may report that General Motors will be announcing a safety recall involving certain 2005 model year Saturn Relay, Chevrolet Uplander and Pontiac Montana vehicles.

The outboard release handle on the second-row bucket seat may be actuated and the rear latches may unlatch during early in the crash sequence of a severe side impact. If the rear latches of the seat are released early during a severe side impact event, the front outboard latch may disengage and increase the potential for injury to the occupant of the seat.

To correct this condition, dealers will replace the seat latch release lever with a revised design that is not susceptible to actuation in a severe side impact.

Approximately 26,000 vehicles are involved. GM is working with its suppliers to obtain the parts needed to correct this condition as quickly as possible. Dealers will be notified when a date for the mailing of customer notification letters is scheduled.

GMVIS information for this recall will not be available until the recall bulletin is released to dealers.

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