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Mr. Daniel C. Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 5321, MC: NVS-200
Washington, D.C. 20590

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Dear Mr. Smith:

The following information is submitted pursuant to the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 as it applies to a determination by General Motors of a safety defect involving certain 2007 model year Chevrolet Aveo sedan model vehicles.

573.6(c)(1): Chevrolet Brand of General Motor Corporation

573.6(c)(2)(3)(4): This information is shown on the attached sheet.

573.6(c)(5): General Motors has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2007 Chevrolet Aveo sedan vehicles equipped with a 1.6L engine. In a severe frontal crash test, the fuel line in the engine compartment developed a fracture. In addition, the crash damage caused four short circuits in the fuse block, the combination of which allowed the fuel pump to continue running and fuel leaked onto the ground.

573.6(c)(6): On September 7, 2006, NHTSA performed a NCAP Frontal Crash test and a fuel leak was observed after the test.

The issue was presented to the Field Performance Evaluation Review Committee (FPERC) and on October 12, 2006, the Executive Field Action Decision Committee (EFADC) decided to conduct a safety recall.

573.6(c)(8): Dealers are to replace the fuse block and install a new section of fuel line that has been redesigned.

Pursuant to 577.11(e), GM does not plan to provide notice about reimbursement to owners because all vehicles are covered under the new vehicle warranty.

573.6(c)(9): General Motors will send copies of the dealer bulletin and owner letter when available along with mail dates.

Sincerely,

Gay P. Kent
Director
Product Investigations

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Attachments

573.6(c)(2),(3),(4)

VEHICLES POTENTIALLY AFFECTED BY MAKE, MODEL, AND MODEL YEAR
PLUS INCLUSIVE DATES OF MANUFACTURE

<u>MAKE</u>	<u>MODEL SERIES</u>	<u>MODEL YEAR</u>	<u>NUMBER INVOLVED</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE MANUFACTURING DATES (FROM) (TO)</u>		<u>DESCRIPTIVE INFO. TO PROPERLY IDENT. VEH.</u>	<u>EST. NO. W/CONDITION</u>
Chevrolet	T Car	2007	17,676	12/05	09/06	Aveo	All
	GM Total:		17,676				

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