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Subject: Upcoming Noncompliance Recall 07174
Passenger Air Bag Sensing System

Models: 2007 Chevrolet Equinox and Pontiac Torrent

To: All Chevrolet and Pontiac Dealers

Attention: Dealer Operator, General Manager, Sales Manager, Service Manager,
Used Car Manager, Parts Manager and Warranty Administrator

Based on information from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) website, the media may report that General Motors will be announcing a noncompliance recall involving certain 2007 model year Chevrolet Equinox and Pontiac Torrent vehicles.

These vehicles fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 208, Occupant Crash Protection. In these vehicles, the right front passenger seat is built with a passenger sensing system. When tested with a representative unrestrained small adult, the system is required to turn the right front passenger's frontal airbag on. An error in the seat sensor calibration can cause it to fail this test. In addition, this condition can prevent the airbag from turning off when the seat is occupied by a small child.

The owner manual explains how to use the passenger sensing system. The airbag status indicator displays the status of the airbag. Whenever the front passenger seat is occupied, the driver should always check the airbag indicator to see if the airbag is on or off. If it is not correct for the situation, the passenger should be moved to a different seat. A child restraint installed properly in the back seat is the safest place for children.

To correct this condition, dealers will reprogram the seat's electronic control unit (ECU).

A total of 437 vehicles are involved. Dealers will be notified when customer notification letters are scheduled to be mailed.

GM Vehicle Inquiry System (GMVIS) information for this recall will not be available until the recall bulletin is released to dealers.

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