



July 15, 2008

MS. GAY P. KENT DIRECTOR, PRODUCT INVESTIGATIONS STRUCTURE & SAFETY INTEGRATION GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION 30001 VAN DYKE – MAIL CODE 480-210-G11 WARREN MI 48090-9055 NVS-215dgl 08V-315

Subject: CLEARANCE FRAME RAIL & FUEL TANK

Dear MS. KENT:

This letter serves to acknowledge General Motors Corporation's (GM) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

### Makes/Models/Model Years:

CHEVROLET/EXPRESS/2008 GMC/SAVANA/2008

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-315 Mfg's Report Date: July 8, 2008

**Components:** FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE: STORAGE

**Potential Number of Units Affected: 567** 

## **Summary:**

GM IS RECALLING 567 MY 2008 CHEVROLET EXPRESS AND GMC SAVANA CUTAWAY VEHICLES WITH A 139" WHEEL BASE. THE FRAME RAIL ON THE DRIVER'S SIDE MAY BE WIDER THAN SPECIFICATION.

### **Consequence:**

IF THE FRAME RAIL IS WIDER THAN SPECIFICATION, OVER TIME IT MAY CONTACT THE FUEL TANK HOUSING, RESULTING IN A POSSIBLE FUEL LEAK. FUEL LEAKAGE, IN THE PRESENCE OF AN IGNITION SOURCE, COULD RESULT IN A FIRE.

# Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE CLEARANCE BETWEEN THE FRAME RAIL AND FUEL TANK HOUSING AND WILL REWORK THE FRAME RAIL IF NECESSARY FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT JULY 30, 2008. OWNERS MAY CONTACT CHEVROLET AT 1-800-630-2438 OR GMC AT 1-866-966-9463.

### **Notes:**

GM RECALL NO. N080205. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV.

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

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. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

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 <a href="mailto:Patricia.wallace@dot.gov">Patricia.wallace@dot.gov</a>, or through the office email at <a href="mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov">RMD.ODI@dot.gov</a>. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

George H. Person

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement