



April 3, 2008

Mr. Daniel C. Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE – Room W45-306
Washington, D.C. 20590

08V-118
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Dear Mr. Smith:

The following information pertains to 08V-118 (GM recall N070035). Sections 573.6(c)(5), 573.6(c)(8) and 573.6(c)(9) of our March 12, 2008 letter have been updated. This information is submitted pursuant to the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

573.6(c)(5): General Motors has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, may exist in certain 1997-2003 model year Buick Regal and Pontiac Grand Prix vehicles, equipped with a 3.8L supercharged engine. These vehicles have higher front rocker cover gasket temperatures, creating the potential for earlier degradation of the front rocker cover gasket and eventual oil seepage. Certain underhood fires may be caused by drops of engine oil, from seepage or spillage, being deposited on the exhaust manifold through hard braking. If the manifold is hot enough and the oil runs below the heat shield, it may ignite into a small flame and in some instances the fire may spread to the plastic spark plug wire channel and beyond. Exhaust manifold temperatures are higher when regular fuel is substituted for the required premium fuel.

573.6(c)(8): Dealers are to install a new front (left) rocker cover gasket with an improved design from the original gasket and replace the spark plug wire channel with new retainers.

Pursuant to 577.11(e), General Motors will provide reimbursement to owners for repairs completed on or before ten days after GM mails owner letters, pursuant to the plan submitted on January 8, 2007.

573.6(c)(9): General Motors will provide copies of the dealer bulletin and owner letter when available. GM anticipates, due to parts, to send the dealer bulletin on April 21, 2008 and the first phase of owner letters on April 28, 2008.

Sincerely,

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