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Mr. Daniel C. Smith
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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
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Washington, D.C. 20590

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 noncompliance involving certain 2006-08 model year Chevrolet HHR vehicles.

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

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

573.6(c)(5): General Motors has decided that certain 2006-08 model year Chevrolet HHR vehicles fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 201, "Occupant Protection in Interior Impact." In tests, the door on the storage bin in the top center of the instrument panel failed to remain closed as required.

573.6(c)(7): GM's determination is based on:

On April 2, 2008, a NHTSA contractor tested a 2007 Chevrolet HHR. The door on the storage bin in the top center of the instrument panel failed to remain closed as required.

The issue was presented to the Field Performance Evaluation Review Committee and on August 28, 2008, the Executive Field Action Decision Committee decided to conduct a noncompliance recall.

573.6(c)(8): GM will mail to customers a latch reinforcement. Owners will be given instructions to install the part or have their dealer install it.

Pursuant to 577.11(e), GM does not plan to provide notice about reimbursement to owners because this remedy was not previously known to or available from dealers or other service providers.

573.6(c)(9): GM will provide copies of the dealer bulletin and owner letter when available. Based on expected parts availability, GM anticipates sending the dealer bulletin and owner letters in late November 2008.

Sincerely,

Gay P. Kent
Director

Product Investigations

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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	A Truck	2006	113,906	04/2005	06/2006	HHR	*
Chevrolet	A Truck	2007	99,670	05/2006	06/2007	HHR	"
Chevrolet	A Truck	2008	82,846	05/2007	04/2008	HHR	"
	GM Total:		296,422				

* All involved vehicles will be corrected as necessary.

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