File In Section: Product Recalls
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# F/CMVSS NONCOMPLIANCE RECALL

SUBJECT:

Park Brake Inoperative – Fractured Cable Connector

MODELS:

**2009 Chevrolet Traverse** 

#### CONDITION

General Motors has decided that certain 2009 model year Chevrolet Traverse vehicles fail to conform to Federal/Canada Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 135 for park brake performance. These vehicles may have a park brake cable link (connector) that is not to GM's specification. This connector may fracture when the park brake pedal is depressed. If this happens, the driver should notice that the park brake pedal moves easily to the full-down position. If the transmission shift lever is in the PARK position, there will be no unintended vehicle movement. However, if the keys are left in the ignition, the transmission shift lever is in any position other than PARK, and the vehicle is parked on a sufficient slope, it could result in unintended vehicle movement and a vehicle crash.

#### CORRECTION

Dealers are to repair the park brake cable link (connector).

#### VEHICLES INVOLVED

Involved are **certain** 2009 model year Chevrolet Traverse vehicles built within these VIN breakpoints:

Year	Division	Model	From	Through	
2009	Chevrolet	Traverse	9S115850	9S143263	

Important: Dealers are to confirm vehicle eligibility prior to beginning repairs by using the GM Vehicle Inquiry System (GMVIS). Not all vehicles within the above breakpoints may be involved.

For dealers with involved vehicles, a listing with involved vehicles containing the complete vehicle identification number, customer name, and address information has been prepared and will be provided through the applicable system listed below. Dealers will not have a report available if they have no involved vehicles currently assigned.

- US and Canadian dealers GM GlobalConnect Recall Reports
- Export dealers sent directly to dealers

The listing may contain customer names and addresses obtained from Motor Vehicle Registration Records. The use of such motor vehicle registration data for any purpose other than follow-up necessary to complete this recall is a violation of law in several states/provinces/countries. Accordingly, you are urged to limit the use of this report to the follow-up necessary to complete this recall.

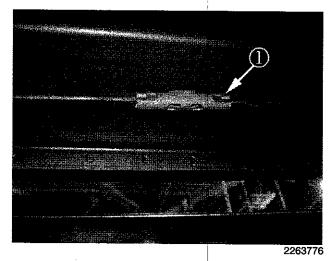
#### **PARTS INFORMATION**

Parts required to complete this recall are to be obtained from General Motors Service and Parts Operations (GMSPO). Please refer to your "involved vehicles listing" before ordering parts. Normal orders should be placed on a DRO = Daily Replenishment Order. In an emergency situation, parts should be ordered on a CSO = Customer Special Order.

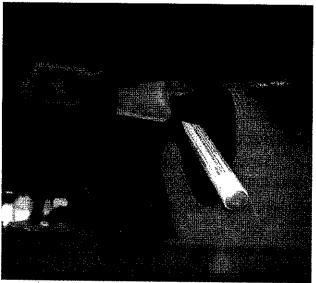
Part Number	Description	Quantity/Vehicle	
25737609	Connector, Park Brk Cbl	1	

#### SERVICE PROCEDURE

1. Raise and support the vehicle. Refer to Lifting and Jacking the Vehicle in SI.

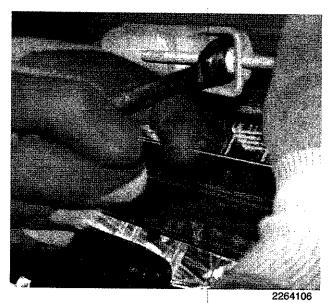


2. Locate the parking brake cable link (1).

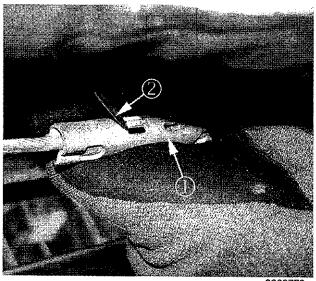


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3. Mark the threads of the parking brake adjuster screw where it meets the equalizer.

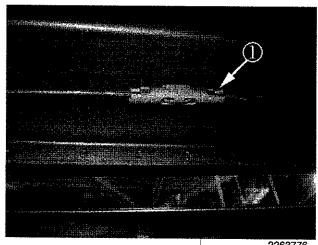


4. Turn the locknut and adjuster screw counterclockwise about 25 mm (1in).



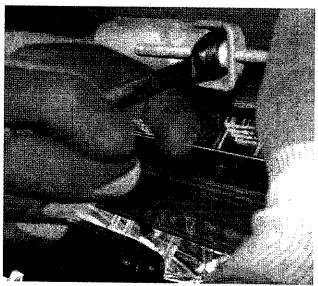
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5. Remove the parking brake cable link (1) using a flat-blade screw driver (2) or equivalent.



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6. Install the new parking brake cable link (1).



- 7. Turn the locknut clockwise until the parking brake adjuster screw is adjusted to the position marked in Step 3.
- 8. Lower the vehicle. Refer to Lifting and Jacking the Vehicle in SI.

### **COURTESY TRANSPORTATION** – For US and Canada

The General Motors Courtesy Transportation program is intended to minimize customer inconvenience when a vehicle requires a repair that is covered by the New Vehicle Limited Warranties. The availability of courtesy transportation to customers whose vehicles are within the warranty coverage period and involved in a product program is very important in maintaining customer satisfaction. Dealers are to ensure that these customers understand that shuttle service or some other form of courtesy transportation is available and will be provided at no charge. Dealers should refer to the General Motors Service Policies and Procedures Manual for Courtesy Transportation guidelines.

#### **CLAIM INFORMATION**

Submit a Product Recall Claim with the information indicated below:

Repair Performed	Part Count	Part No.	Parts Allow	CC-FC	Labor Op	Labor Hours
Replace Parking Brake Cable Connector	1		*	MA-96	V2070	0.2
Courtesy Transportation for vehicles within the New Vehicle Limited Warranties (US & Canadian GM Dealers)	N/A	N/A	N/A	MA-96	**	N/A

- The "Parts Allowance" should be the sum total of the current GMSPO Dealer net price plus applicable Mark-Up or Landed Cost Mark-Up (for Export) for the parking brake cable connector needed to complete the repair.
- \*\* Submit courtesy transportation using normal labor operations for courtesy transportation as indicated in the GM Service Policies and Procedures Manual for vehicles within the New Vehicle Limited Warranties.

Refer to the General Motors WINS Claims Processing Manual for details on Product Recall Claim Submission.

# **CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION** – For US and Canada

General Motors will notify customers of this recall on their vehicle (see copy of customer letter included with this bulletin).

## **CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION** – For Export

Letters will be sent to known owners of record located within areas covered by the US National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. For owners outside these areas, dealers should notify customers using the attached sample letter.

# <u>DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY</u> – For US and Export (US States, Territories, and Possessions)

The US National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act provides that each vehicle that is subject to a recall of this type must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time after the customer has tendered it for repair. A failure to repair within sixty days after tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time. If the condition is not adequately repaired within a reasonable time, the customer may be entitled to an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle at no charge or to a refund of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation. To avoid having to provide these burdensome remedies, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each customer and to repair their vehicle as soon as possible. In the recall notification letters, customers are told how to contact the US National Highway Traffic Safety Administration if the recall is not completed within a reasonable time.

This bulletin is notice to you that the new motor vehicles included in this recall may not comply with the standard identified above. Under Title 49, Section 30112 of the United States Code, it is illegal for a dealer to sell a new motor vehicle which the dealer knows does not comply with an applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard. As a consequence, if you sell any of these motor vehicles without first performing the recall correction, your dealership may be subject to a civil penalty for each such sale.

# **DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY - AII**

All unsold new vehicles in dealers' possession and subject to this recall <u>must</u> be held and inspected/repaired per the service procedure of this recall bulletin <u>before</u> customers take possession of these vehicles.

Dealers are to service all vehicles subject to this recall at no charge to customers, regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership, from this time forward.

Customers who have recently purchased vehicles sold from your vehicle inventory, and for which there is no customer information indicated on the dealer listing, are to be contacted by the dealer. Arrangements are to be made to make the required correction according to the instructions contained in this bulletin. A copy of the customer letter is provided in this bulletin for your use in contacting customers. Recall follow-up cards should not be used for this purpose, since the customer may not as yet have received the notification letter.

In summary, whenever a vehicle subject to this recall enters your vehicle inventory, or is in your dealership for service in the future, you must take the steps necessary to be sure the recall correction has been made before selling or releasing the vehicle.