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Mr. Claude Harris  
Acting 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

Dear Mr. Harris:

The following information is submitted pursuant to the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 as it applies to a determination by General Motors to conduct a safety related recall for certain 2011 model year Chevrolet Colorado and GMC Canyon vehicles.

573.6(c)(1): Chevrolet and GMC Brands of General Motors LLC

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

573.6(c)(5): General Motors has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2011 model year Chevrolet Colorado and GMC Canyon vehicles. Some of these vehicles have a condition in which the windshield wiper motor crank arm nut may not be tightened to specification. When the wipers are operated with a build-up of snow or ice, or if the wipers are operated on a dry windshield, the nut could loosen. If there is sufficient loosening of the nut, the wipers could become inoperative. If this were to occur, driver visibility could be reduced, resulting in a possible crash without prior warning.

573.6(c)(6): On January 5, 2011, the condition was discovered during a review of warranty claims with the supplier. GM Product Engineering worked with the supplier to identify and inspect parts built during the suspect time frame. It was determined that the suspect parts were built during several weeks of production. On March 14, 2011, a Product Engineering Investigator was assigned to conduct a formal investigation. GM was advised by the supplier that the condition occurred as a result of a change to a torque setting on the nut fastener tool.

The issue was presented to the Field Performance Evaluation Review Committee and on April 29, 2011, the Executive Field Action Decision Committee decided to conduct a safety recall.

573.6(c)(8): Dealers are to secure the wiper motor crank arm nut.



573.6(c)(2),(3),(4)

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	S/T	2011	3,674	9/22/2010	11/5/2010	Colorado	*
GMC	S/T	2011	1,000	9/22/2010	11/5/2010	Canyon	"
	GM Total:		4,674				

\* All involved vehicles will be corrected as necessary.

573.6(c)(2)(iv): The wiper motor system assembly is supplied by Valeo.

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150 Stephenson Highway  
Troy, MI 48083-1116-USA  
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GM sent the dealer bulletin on May 4, 2011 and anticipates mailing the owner letter mail on May 11, 2011.

Pursuant to 577.11(e), GM does not plan to provide notice about reimbursement to owners because all involved vehicles are covered under the new vehicle warranty.

573.6(c)(10): GM provided copies of the dealer bulletin and owner letter under separate cover.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M. Carmen Benavides".

M. Carmen Benavides  
Director, Product Investigations  
and Safety Regulations

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