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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, DC 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 2012 model year Cadillac CTS vehicles.

573.6(c)(1): Cadillac Brand of General Motors Company

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

<u>573.6(c)(5)</u>: General Motors has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2012 model year Cadillac CTS vehicles. Some of these vehicles have a condition in which the power vacuum brake boost pushrod retention nut may not be torqued to the proper specification. If the nut is not torqued to the proper specification, the nut could loosen and allow the pushrod to separate from the brake pedal. This could result in a loss of ability to brake and possible crash without prior warning.

<u>573.6(c)(6)</u>: On October 28, 2011, Product Engineering became aware that certain 2012 Cadillac CTS vehicles may have been assembled with a power vacuum brake booster pushrod retention nut that may not be torqued to the proper specification. The issue was presented to executive management on October 29, 2011 and a stop sale was issued for affected vehicles.

The issue was presented to the Field Performance Evaluation Review Committee and on November 1, 2011, the Executive Field Action Decision Committee decided to conduct a safety recall.

<u>573.6(c)(8)</u>: Dealers are to inspect the power vacuum brake boost pushrod retention nut, and if necessary, torque the nut to the proper specification.

GM sent the dealer bulletin and mailed owner letters on November 1, 2011.



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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,

M. Carmen Benavides, Director

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VEHICLES POTENTIALLY AFFECTED BY MAKE, MODEL, AND MODEL YEAR PLUS INCLUSIVE DATES OF MANUFACTURE

EST	W/CONDITION	*	
OT OBM BYNTOIRS	PROPERLY IDENT. VEH.	CTS	
INCLUSIVE	(TO)	10/26/2011	
INCL	(FROM)	10/21/2011	
MARED	INVOLVED	674	674
III CM	YEAR	2012	
	SERIES		GM Total:
	MAKE	Cadillac	

^{*} All involved vehicles will be corrected as necessary.

573.6(c)(2)(iv):

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