

# **Recall Bulletin**



# PRODUCT SAFETY/NONCOMPLIANCE RECALL

SUBJECT: Front Passenger Airbag May Not Deploy in Severe Frontal Crash

MODELS: 2012 Chevrolet Express 2012 GMC Savana

This bulletin has been revised to include a copy of the customer letter. Please discard all copies of bulletin 11302, issued November 2011.

## CONDITION

General Motors has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in **certain** 2012 model year Chevrolet Express and GMC Savana vehicles. In addition, if the unloaded vehicle weight is 5,500 pounds (2,495 kg) or less, the vehicle fails to conform to Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 208 for occupant crash protection. The first-stage of the front passenger dual-stage airbag will deploy as designed in moderate and severe frontal impacts. However, the second stage of the dual-stage airbag, which is designed to deploy in a severe frontal impact, will not deploy as commanded in a severe frontal impact, which may result in increased injury to the occupant.

### **CORRECTION**

Dealers are to install a new front passenger airbag.

## VEHICLES INVOLVED

Involved are certain 2012 model year Chevrolet Express and GMC Savana vehicles.

**Important:** Dealers are to confirm vehicle eligibility prior to beginning repairs by using the Required Field Actions section in the Global Warranty system. Not all vehicles 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 to US and Canadian dealers through the GM GlobalConnect Recall Copyright 2011 General Motors. All Rights Reserved.

Reports, or sent directly to export dealers. Dealers will not have a report available if they have no involved vehicles currently assigned.

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.

#### PART INFORMATION

Parts required to complete this recall are to be obtained from General Motors Customer Care and Aftersales (GMCC&A). 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
22793584	AIRBAG, I/P	1

### SERVICE PROCEDURE

- 1. Remove the passenger airbag module. Refer to *Instrument Panel Inflatable Restraint Module Replacement* in SI.
- 2. Install a new passenger airbag module. Refer to *Instrument Panel Inflatable Restraint Module Replacement* in SI.

### COURTESY TRANSPORTATION - 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.

#### WARRANTY TRANSACTION INFORMATION

Submit a transaction using the table below.

Labor		Labor
Code	Description	Time
V2504	Replace I/P Inflatable Restraint Module	0.9

#### CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

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.

# DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY – 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.

### 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.



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