



March 6, 2012

Ms. Nancy Lewis
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 Ms. Lewis:

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 2012 model year (MY) Buick Regal vehicles.

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

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

573.6(c)(5): General Motors has decided that certain 2012 MY Buick Regal vehicles, equipped with High Intensity Discharge (HID) headlamps, fail to conform to Federal/Canada Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 108 for activation of the parking lamps. On these vehicles, the parking lamps do not activate when either the headlamps or the parking lamps are turned on, as required in the Standard.

573.6(c)(7): On February 17, 2012, the issue was discovered during a 2013 MY MVSS108 Vehicle Certification. Following a root cause analysis, the vehicles located in the yard at the assembly plant were placed on hold on February 23, 2012.

On February 24, 2012, a GM Product Investigations Engineer was assigned. The investigation determined that during the transition of the 2012 MY Buick Regal from GM Europe to GM North America, a Body Control Module calibration change resulted in a change to the Park Lamp calibration. This calibration change caused the Park Lamp not to function.

The issue was presented to the Field Performance Evaluation Review Committee and on March 5, 2012, the Executive Field Action Decision Committee decided to conduct a noncompliance recall.

573.6(c)(8): Dealers are to reprogram the Body Control Module.

GM sent the dealer bulletin on March 5, 2012, and anticipates mailing owner letters on March 12, 2012.



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 will provide copies of the dealer bulletin and owner letter under separate cover.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Carmen Benavides". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

M. Carmen Benavides, Director
Product Investigations and Safety Regulations

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Attachment

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>
Buick	G	2012	3,633	02/22/2011	02/22/2012	Regal	*
	GM Total:		3,633				

* All involved vehicles will be corrected as necessary.

573.6(c)(2)(iv): N/A

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