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Ms. Nancy Lewis
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Ms. Lewis:

The following information is submitted in accordance with the defect reporting regulations in Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 573. This report relates to a defect reported by General Motors (GM) in a Part 573 report dated September 18, 2012. Due to information management problems, CAMI assembly operations in Canada did not provide General Motors with a complete list of Suzuki Vehicle Identification Numbers during the GM investigation. GM did not determine that Suzuki vehicles were included in the population of vehicles to be recalled until December 14, 2012.

1. Name of Manufacturer and Importers

Manufacturer: CAMI Automotive, Inc.
Importer: American Suzuki Motor Corporation

2. Identification of Motor Vehicles Involved

Affected vehicles are 2007 model year Suzuki XL7 vehicles produced from June 13, 2006 through December 22, 2006 and originally sold or currently registered in Arizona, California, Nevada, and Texas.

The component part that will be replaced to remedy the defect is the fuel pump module supplied by:

Robert Bosch LLC
38000 Hills Tech Drive
Farmington Hills, MI 48331
248-876-1000

The fuel pump module was assembled in Toluca, Mexico.

3. Total Number of Motor Vehicles Involved

2,830

4. Percentage of Motor Vehicles Estimated to Contain the Defect

Unknown

5. Description of Defect

General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2007 model year Suzuki XL7 vehicles originally sold or currently registered in Arizona, California, Nevada, and Texas. Some of these vehicles have a condition in which the plastic supply or return port on the fuel pump module may crack, which could cause a fuel leak. The customer may notice a fuel odor while the vehicle is being driven or after it is parked. If the crack becomes large enough, fuel may be observed dripping onto the ground and vehicle performance may be affected. If an ignition source were present, a fire could occur.

6. Chronology of Principal Events

June 2012 - The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) contacted GM regarding elevated Vehicle Owner Questionnaires (VOQs) on 2006-2007 model year Chevrolet Cobalt, Pontiac G5, and Saturn ION vehicles. GM reviewed warranty data and determined the condition may also occur on certain 2008-2009 model year Chevrolet Cobalt and Pontiac G5 vehicles.

July 2011 - GM was contacted by a dealer regarding five vans that had leaks at the fuel pump module. Although the warranty rates for the vans were low, this inquiry initiated an

investigation that resulted in a read across in October 2011, which included the Chevrolet Equinox and Pontiac Torrent. The Equinox and Torrent warranty data in October 2011 showed some trend, but overall rates were low. A state-by-state analysis, conducted in June 2012, showed higher rates in certain hot weather states. Both issues entered GM's Field Performance Evaluation process in late July 2012.

Sep. 2012 - This issue was presented to GM's Field Performance Evaluation Review Committee for review, and on September 12, 2012, GM's Executive Field Action Decision Committee decided to conduct a safety recall.

Dec. 2012 - On December 14, 2012 GM informed Suzuki that Suzuki XL7 vehicles are included in the population of vehicles subject to the recall.

7. Description of Corrective Action

American Suzuki Motor Corporation (ASMC) will conduct a safety-related recall to inspect and, if necessary, replace the fuel pump module.

ASMC will notify NHTSA when a determination is made concerning the projected dates for notifying dealers and owners about the recall.

Enclosed is a copy of ASMC's plan for reimbursing owners and purchasers who incurred costs for remedies in advance of recall notification.

For 2007-2009 Suzuki XL7 vehicles not included in the population of affected vehicles described above, ASMC will implement a special coverage.

8. Copy of Notices

Enclosed is a copy of the initial notification that Suzuki Motor Corporation provided to ASMC. Copies of other notices will be provided when they have been finalized.

9. Suzuki Campaign Number

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Sincerely,

AMERICAN SUZUKI MOTOR CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Kenneth M. Bush". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Kenneth M. Bush
Associate Director, Government Relations