

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

January 13, 2014

Ms. Carmen Benavides
Director, Product Investigations
General Motors LLC
3001 Van Dyke - Mail Code 480-210-2V1

**Subject:** Overheating Of Exhaust Components may cause Fire

Dear Ms. Benavides:

Warren, MI 48090-9055

This letter serves to acknowledge General Motors LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NVS-215KS

14V-007

#### Makes/Models/Model Years:

CHEVROLET/SILVERADO/2014 GMC/SIERRA/2014

Mfr's Report Date: January 13, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-007

## **Components:**

ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING: EXHAUST SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected: 300,000

#### **Problem Description:**

General Motors is recalling certain 2014 model year Chevrolet Silverados and GMC Sierras equipped with 4.3L or 5.3L engines. When the vehicle is idling in cold temperatures, the exhaust components can overheat.

### **Consequence:**

The overheated exhaust components may melt nearby plastic parts and may result in an engine fire.

# Remedy:

General Motors will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the engine control module, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in late January 2014. Owners may contact Chevrolet at 1-800-222-1020 and GMC at 1-800-462-8782. General Motors' number for this recall is 14008.

## Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.



We have received General Motor's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

On August 20, 2013, NHTSA announced new changes to the requirements governing safety recalls. Some of these requirements are already in effect. Please ensure your company will be in compliance with each requirement on, or before, its respective effective date. For a summary of the requirements and their effective dates please click on the "New!" link at http://www.safercar.gov/Vehicle +Manufacturers.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Timian

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

