



March 28, 2014

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 to conduct a safety related recall for certain 2013-2014 model year Chevrolet Cruze vehicles and some service parts used for repair under recall 13276 (13V-452).

573.6(c)(1): Chevrolet 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 a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in some 2013-2014 model year Chevrolet Cruze vehicles, equipped with a 1.4L turbo engine (LUV). The interconnecting tubular bar on the front right axle half shaft on some of these vehicles may not meet GM specification and could fracture and separate. If this occurs while driving the vehicle, steering and braking control would be maintained; however, the vehicle would lose power to the wheels and would coast to a stop. If a vehicle with a fractured half shaft is parked on an incline without the parking brake applied, the vehicle could move unexpectedly, resulting in a possible crash or injury to pedestrians.

573.6(c)(6): The issue was presented to the Field Performance Evaluation Review Committee and on March 26, 2014, the Executive Field Action Decision Committee decided to conduct a safety recall. General Motors will be submitting a supplemental chronology within two weeks.

573.6(c)(8): Dealers are to inspect and, if necessary, replace the half shaft.

GM is sending the dealer bulletin on March 28, 2014, and a first owner letter the week of April 28, 2014. A second owner letter will be mailed when parts are available.

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.

573.6(c)(11): GM's assigned recall number is 14079.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Carmen Benavides". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "M." and the last name "Benavides" clearly distinguishable.

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>
Chevrolet	P	2013	74,650	11/28/2012	06/03/2013	Cruze	*
Chevrolet	P	2014	96,871	03/25/2013	03/07/2014	Cruze	"
	Vehicle Total:		171,521				
	**Service Parts:		2,525				
	GM Total:		174,046				

* All involved vehicles will be corrected as necessary.

** Some vehicles involved in Safety Recall 13276 (13V-452) may have been repaired with a suspect half shaft. These owners will receive an owner letter informing them to return to the dealership for an inspection and possible half shaft replacement.

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The interconnecting tubular bar is produced in the USA and Korea, and is assembled into a half shaft assembly in Saginaw MI.

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