



Recall Bulletin

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PRODUCT SAFETY RECALL

SUBJECT: Inspect Power Steering Hose Clamps

2015 Chevrolet Silverado 2500/3500 HD MODELS: 2015 GMC Sierra 2500/3500 HD

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

All involved vehicles that are in dealer inventory must be held and not delivered to customers, dealer traded, or used for demonstration purposes until the repair contained in this bulletin has been performed on the vehicle.

CONDITION

General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2015 model year Chevrolet Silverado 2500/3500 HD and GMC Sierra 2500/3500 HD model vehicles. Some vehicles were built with a power steering hose clamp that was not properly attached to the power steering pump. If the vehicle is driven with the clamp not attached, the hose may disconnect from the pump or gear, causing a loss of power steering fluid. This will result in loss of power steering assist and Hydro Boost powered brakes without warning, increasing the risk of a crash. The vehicle will revert to manual brakes and manual steering.

CORRECTION

Dealers are to inspect the power steering hose clamps in two locations to ensure that they are properly attached.

VEHICLES INVOLVED

All involved vehicles are identified by Vehicle Identification Number on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in GM Global Warranty Management system. Dealership service personnel should always check this site to confirm vehicle involvement prior to beginning any required inspections and/or repairs. It is important to routinely use this tool to verify eligibility because not all similar vehicles may be involved regardless of description or option content.

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 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

There are no parts involved.

SERVICE PROCEDURE

1. Open the hood.



Diesel engine shown in the photograph.



Gasoline engine shown in photograph.

Note: A stool is required to view and gain access to the power steering hose clamps at the power steering pump and power steering gear locations. The power steering pump and power steering gear are located (1) below the upper radiator hose (2) and alternator (3) on vehicles equipped with a diesel engine. Power steering pump (4), power steering gear (5) and power steering hose clamp locations (6) shown in diesel and gasoline engine photographs.

2. Locate the power steering hose clamps (6) at the power steering gear (5) and power steering pump (4) locations.



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Note: There are two designs for the power steering hose clamp. The first design clamp (A) has an upright tab (1). Pull up on the tab (1) to release the pin and engage the clamp. The second design clamp (B) has a horizontal tab (1). Push up on the tab (1) to release the pin and engage the clamp. Refer to photograph. The power steering hose connection at the power steering gear and pump will be secure (tight) if the clamp is engaged. A long telescope-style mirror and light may be required to inspect the power steering hose clamps. Power steering fluid may be present on the power steering hose, pump or gear if a clamp is NOT engaged.

- 3. Determine if the power steering hose clamps are engaged. Inspect the power steering hose clamps connections at the power steering gear and power steering pump. **Pull lightly on** the end of the power steering hose at the power steering pump and power steering gear locations to ensure the hose is secure at the two locations.
 - If the power steering hose clamps are engaged at both the power steering gear and pump locations, no further action is required.
 - If the power steering hose clamps are NOT engaged at the power steering gear and/or pump locations, engage the clamp to secure (tighten) the hose connection. Proceed to step 4.
- 4. Engage (tighten) the power steering hose connection at the power steering gear and/or power steering pump locations.
- 5. Lightly pull on the end of the power steering hose at the power steering pump and/or power steering gear locations to ensure the hose is secure at the two locations.
- 6. Lift and support the vehicle. Refer to Lifting and Jacking the Vehicle in SI.
- 7. Inspect the underbody of the vehicle around the power steering hose and power steering gear and pump for evidence of a power steering fluid leak. If necessary, clean underbody of vehicle and vehicle parts that are covered in power steering fluid.
- 8. Lower the vehicle. Refer to Lifting and Jacking the Vehicle in SI.
- 9. Check and, if necessary, add power steering fluid to the power steering system. Refer to *Checking and Adding Power Steering Fluid* in SI.
- 10. Start the engine. Rotate steering wheel from left to right. Check for sign of cavitation or fluid aeration (pump noise/whining). Refer to SI for diagnostic information and/or power steering part replacement information, if required.

COURTESY TRANSPORTATION – For 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. All transactions should be submitted as a ZFAT transaction type, unless noted otherwise.

Labor Code	Description	Labor Time	Net Item
*9100645	Inspect Power Steering Hose Clamps (Gasoline Engine)	0.3	**
*9100646	Inspect Power Steering Hose Clamps (Diesel Engine)	0.4	**

* Includes time to clean the area of fluid and top-off the power steering fluid when required. Use the labor operation code in this bulletin to close the recall and receive payment for the power steering hose clamp inspection and if required, cleaning the area of fluid and topping-off the power steering fluid as well. If related repairs are required as a result of an excessively low fluid level (power steering pump replacement, etc.), submit a separate warranty claim for the related repair(s).

** The amount identified in "Net Item" should represent the actual sum total of the current GMCC&A Dealer net price for contact cleaner needed to clean the area of fluid seepage/leakage and for power steering fluid needed to top-off the power steering fluid level when required, not to exceed \$10.00 USD, plus applicable Mark-Up or Landed Cost (for Export).

CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION – For US and Canada

General Motors will notify customers of this recall on their vehicle.

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.

<u>DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY</u> – For US and Export (US States, Territories, and Possessions)

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

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.

