Bulletin No.: 14912B Date: May 2015

### SERVICE PARTS SAFETY RECALL

**SUBJECT:** Ignition Lock Cylinder Binding

**MODELS:** Various Serviced Vehicles

The Warranty Transaction Information section has been revised to correspond with the GM Labor Time Guide which is being updated to provide additional time for any 2011-2012 model year Cadillac Escalade, Escalade ESV and Escalade EXT vehicles that may be involved. Please discard all copies of bulletin 14912A.

The ignition lock actuators involved in this recall were used to service various serviced vehicles. Dealers who ordered this part for service are identified in the attachment contained in the Administrative Message (U.S.) or Dealer Communication (Canada). Please see the Vehicles Involved section for details.

#### CONDITION

General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in **certain** ignition lock actuators used in service for various vehicles. Some of these ignition lock actuators may have an outer diameter that exceeds specifications. These ignition lock actuators may make turning the ignition key difficult and the ignition key could get stuck in the "start" position if the vehicle's interior ambient temperature is sufficiently high. If the vehicle is driven with the key stuck in the "start" position, and the vehicle's interior temperature cools or the vehicle experiences a significant jarring event, the ignition lock cylinder could move out of the "start" position, rotate past the "run" position, and move into the "accessory" position.

If the key moves into the "accessory" position, engine power, power steering, and power braking will be affected, increasing the risk of a crash. In the event of a crash, the timing of the key movement into the "accessory" position relative to the activation of the sensing algorithm of the crash event may result in the airbags not deploying, increasing the potential for occupant injury in certain types of crashes.

#### CORRECTION

Dealers are to inspect the steering column for identifying information (production cavity number) and, if necessary, replace the ignition lock housing.

#### VEHICLES INVOLVED

Various serviced vehicles may have had a suspect part installed during a service visit. A search of General Motors sales records has identified the following 2 categories of sales:

 <u>Sales records that contain a VIN.</u> These identified VINs will be available on the Investigate Vehicle History (IVH) screen in GM Global Warranty Management (GWM) system. GM will contact these customers. 2. Sales records that do not contain a VIN or customer address. Attached to the dealer message announcing this recall is a list that identifies the involved dealers and provides an invoice number. Dealers are to search their part sales records to determine the name and address of the purchaser. If the purchaser is the owner of the vehicle, dealers are to send the owner a copy of the letter found in this bulletin, requesting that their vehicle be brought in for repair. If the purchaser is a body shop, independent repair shop, etc., dealers are to contact the repair facility and obtain the owner's name and address and send the owner a copy of the letter. The VIN will not appear in IVH.

For dealers with involved vehicles that can be identified by VIN, a listing with involved vehicles containing the complete VIN, customer name, and address information has been prepared and will be provided to U.S. 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

Parts required to complete this recall are to be obtained from General Motors Customer Care and Aftersales (GMCCA). Please refer to your "involved vehicles listing" before ordering parts. Normal orders should be placed on a DRO = Daily Replenishment Order. In an emergency situation, parts should be ordered on a CSO = Customer Special Order.

Important: It is estimated that less than 1% of involved vehicles will require ignition lock cylinder case replacement. Please order parts accordingly.

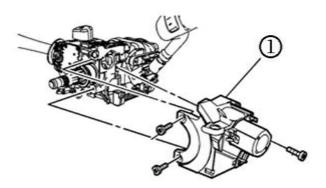
Part Number	Description	Quantity/Vehicle
26088811	CASE, IGN LK CYL	1 (If Req'd)
00274414	RING,STRG WHL AIRBAG COIL RET	1

#### SERVICE PROCEDURE

**Note:** When performing either the inspection or replacement procedure, ensure that all steps and associated links within SI are completed. This includes replacement of the inflatable restraint steering wheel module coil retaining ring which is specified within the Steering Wheel Airbag Coil Replacement procedure.

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#### **Inspect Ignition Lock Cylinder Case**



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1. Remove the ignition lock cylinder case (1) from the steering column. Refer to Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Replacement in SI.



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2. Inspect the inboard side of the housing for the mold cavity number, at the location shown circled in the graphic above:

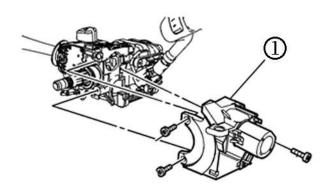


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• If the cavity number reads "22", the ignition lock cylinder case MAY contain the failure issue and you should move directly to the Service Procedure below.

 If the cavity number reads anything other than "22", the case can be reinstalled and no further action is required. For reinstallation, refer to Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Replacement in SI.

#### **Replace Ignition Lock Cylinder Case**



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1. Replace the ignition lock cylinder case with a new service part. Refer to Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Replacement in SI.

#### CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT - For U.S.

Customer requests for reimbursement of previously paid repairs for the recall condition are to be submitted to the dealer by February 29, 2016, unless otherwise specified by state law. If this is not convenient for the customer, the customer may mail the completed Customer Reimbursement Request Form and all required documents to the GM Customer Assistance Center.

All reasonable and customary costs to correct the condition described in this bulletin should be considered for reimbursement. Any questions or concerns should be reviewed with your GM representative prior to processing the request.

When a customer requests reimbursement, they must provide the following:

- A completed Customer Reimbursement Request Form. This form is mailed to the customer or can be obtained through GM GlobalConnect.
- The name and address of the person who paid for the repair.
- Paid receipt confirming the amount of the repair expense, a description of the repair, and the person or entity performing the repair.

**IMPORTANT:** GM requires dealers to approve or deny a reimbursement request within 30 days of receipt. If a reimbursement request is approved, the dealer should immediately issue a check to the customer and submit an appropriate warranty transaction for the incurred expense. If a reimbursement request is denied, the dealer <u>MUST</u> provide the customer with a clear and concise explanation, in writing, as to why the request was denied. The bottom portion of the Customer Reimbursement Request Form may be used for this purpose. If the denial was due to missing documents, the customer can resubmit the request when the missing documents are obtained, as long as it is still within the allowed reimbursement period.

Warranty transactions for customer reimbursement of previously paid repairs are to be submitted as required by GM Global Warranty Management. Additional information can also be found in Warranty Administration Bulletin 11-00-89-004.

#### <u>CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT</u> - For Canada and Export

Customer requests for reimbursement of previously paid repairs to correct the condition described in this bulletin are to be submitted to the dealer prior to or by February 29, 2016.

When a customer requests reimbursement, they must provide the following:

- Proof of ownership at time of repair.
- Original paid receipt confirming the amount of unreimbursed repair expense(s) (including Service Contract deductibles), a description of the repair, and the person or entity performing the repair.

All reasonable and customary costs to correct the condition described in this bulletin should be considered for reimbursement. Any questions or concerns should be reviewed with your GM representative prior to processing the request.

#### **COURTESY TRANSPORTATION** – For U.S. 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.

For vehicles that appear in IVH: To avoid having to "H" route the customer reimbursement transaction for approval, it must be submitted prior to the repair transaction.

For vehicles that do not appear in IVH: If the VIN does not appear in IVH, submit the transaction as a ZFAT transaction type, put "OTC Recall" in the VIN field, check the non-GM indicator, and H route for wholesale authorization.

Labor Code	Description	Labor Time	Net Item
9101188	Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Inspection	0.9	N/A
9101251	Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Replacement (Incl. Inspection)	0.9	N/A
	Add: 2011-2012 Escalade, Escalade ESV, Escalade EXT	0.3	
9101252	Customer Reimbursement Approved	0.2	*
9101253	Customer Reimbursement Denied - For U.S. Dealers Only	0.1	N/A

Note: Customer reimbursement will not close this recall. The service procedure must also be performed on the vehicle.

\* The amount identified in "Net Item" should represent the dollar amount reimbursed to the customer.

#### **CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION** – For U.S. and Canada

General Motors will notify identified customers of this recall on their vehicle (see copy of customer letter included with this bulletin). Dealers that have been identified as having over-the-counter sales are to inspect their sales records to determine the purchaser of the involved part. After determining the name and address of the purchaser, dealers are to send each owner a copy of the owner letter requesting that their vehicle be brought in for this recall.

#### **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. Dealers that have been identified as having overthe-counter sales are to inspect their sales records to determine the purchaser of the involved part. After determining the name and address of the purchaser, dealers are to send each owner a copy of the owner letter requesting that their vehicle be brought in for this recall.

## <u>DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY</u> – For U.S. and Export (U.S. 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 U.S. 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 U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration if the recall is not completed within a reasonable time.

#### <u>DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY</u> – All

Dealers who have ordered the recalled part for service are identified in the attachment contained in the dealer message announcing this recall. Dealers who have received this listing are required to inspect their sales records to determine the name and address of the purchaser of the recalled part.

If the purchaser is the owner of the vehicle, dealers are to send the owner a copy of the customer letter requesting that their vehicle be brought in for this recall.

If the purchaser is NOT the owner of the vehicle, i.e., body shop, independent repair shop, etc., dealers are to contact the repair facility and obtain the customer's name and address so a copy of the customer letter can be sent to these customer.

Since General Motors Customer Care and Aftersales records do not always contain customer names and addresses for these over-the-counter sales, it is important that each involved dealer

take the necessary time required to responsibly identify customers who have purchased the recall part.

All 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.

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.



### IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

February 2015

This notice applies to your vehicle, VIN	l:
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Dear General Motors Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain ignition lock actuators used in service for various vehicles. As a result, GM is conducting a safety recall. We apologize for this inconvenience. However, we are concerned about your safety and continued satisfaction with our products.

#### IMPORTANT

- Your vehicle is involved in GM recall 14912.
- Schedule an appointment with your GM dealer.
- This service will be performed for you at **no charge**.

# Why is your vehicle being recalled?

Our records indicate that your vehicle may have seen serviced with an ignition lock actuator that may have an outer diameter that exceeds specifications. These ignition lock actuators may make turning the ignition key difficult and the ignition key could get stuck in the "start" position if the vehicle's interior ambient temperature is sufficiently high. If the vehicle is driven with the key stuck in the "start" position, and the vehicle's interior temperature cools or the vehicle experiences a significant jarring event, the ignition lock cylinder could move out of the "start" position, rotate past the "run" position, and move into the "accessory" position.

If the key moves into the "accessory" position, engine power, power steering, and power braking will be affected, increasing the risk of a crash. In the event of a crash, the timing of the key movement into the "accessory" position relative to the activation of the sensing algorithm of the crash event may result in the airbags not deploying, increasing the potential for occupant injury in certain types of crashes.

### What will we do?

Your GM dealer will inspect the steering column for identifying information (production cavity number) and, if necessary, replace the ignition lock housing. This service will be performed for you at **no charge**. Because of service scheduling requirements, it is likely that your dealer will need your vehicle longer than the actual inspection and/or service correction time of approximately 55 minutes.

# What should you do?

You should contact your GM dealer to arrange a service appointment as soon as possible.

# Did you already pay for this repair?

Even though you may have already had repairs for this condition, you will still need to take your vehicle to your dealer for additional repairs. If you have paid for repairs for the recall condition, please complete the enclosed reimbursement form and present it to your dealer with all required documents. Working with your dealer will expedite your request, however, if this is not convenient, you may mail the completed reimbursement form and all required documents to Reimbursement Department, PO Box 33170, Detroit, MI 48232-5170. The completed form and required documents must be presented to your dealer or received by the Reimbursement Department by February 29, 2016, unless state law specifies a longer reimbursement period.

# Do you have questions?

If you have questions or concerns that your dealer is unable to resolve, please contact the appropriate Customer Assistance Center at the number listed below.

Division	Number	Text Telephones (TTY)
Cadillac	1-866-982-2339	1-800-833-2622
Chevrolet	1-800-630-2438	1-800-833-2438
GMC	1-866-996-9463	1-800-462-8583
Guam	1-671-648-8450	
Puerto Rico – English	1-800-496-9992	
Puerto Rico – Español	1-800-496-9993	
Virgin Islands	1-800-496-9994	

If after contacting your dealer and the Customer Assistance Center, you are still not satisfied we have done our best to remedy this condition without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1.888.327.4236 (TTY 1.800.424.9153), or go to http://www.safercar.gov. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Campaign ID Number for this recall is 14V827.

Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Jeffrey M. Boyer Vice President Global Vehicle Safety

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