Bulletin No.: 12162 Date: April 2015

# FMVSS NONCOMPLIANCE RECALL

**SUBJECT:** Shift Lever Position Status Displayed Intermittently

MODELS: 2013 Chevrolet Malibu

**Equipped with Base-level Instrument Panel Cluster (RPO UDC)** 

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 certain 2013 model year Chevrolet Malibu vehicles equipped with a base-level instrument panel cluster (RPO UDC) fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 102. The console shift indicator may not illuminate the shift position selected and the positions in relation to each other during a key cycle. The illumination returns with a new key cycle. The selected gear position is always displayed on the instrument panel cluster when the ignition is on. If the console shift indicator does not illuminate the shift position selected, a driver could inadvertently select a transmission position other than the position the driver intended, increasing the risk of a crash.

#### CORRECTION

Dealers are to replace the bezel assembly, which contains the PRNDM control module.

#### 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. 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

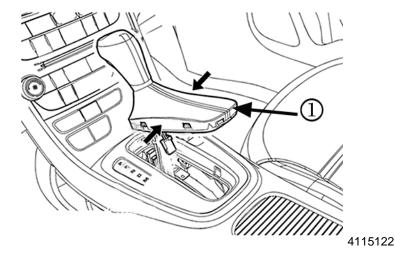
states/provinces/countries. Accordingly, you are urged to limit the use of this report to the follow-up necessary to complete this recall.

### **PART INFORMATION**

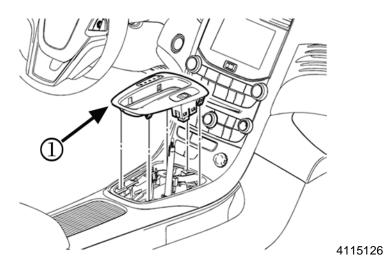
Parts required to complete this recall are to be obtained from General Motors Customer Care and Aftersales (GMCCA). Please refer to your "involved vehicles listing" before ordering parts. Normal orders should be placed on a DRO = Daily Replenishment Order. In an emergency situation, parts should be ordered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

Part Number	Description	Quantity/Vehicle
22993929	BEZEL ASM-A/TRNS CONT IND	1

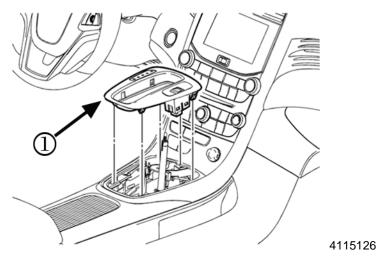
#### SERVICE PROCEDURE



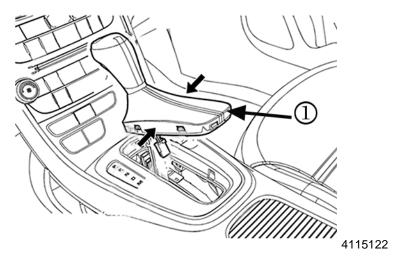
1. Remove the transmission control lever boot (1). Refer to *Transmission Control Lever Boot Replacement* in SI.



2. Remove the automatic transmission control indicator bezel assembly (1). Refer to *Automatic Transmission Control Indicator Bezel Replacement* in SI.



3. Install the new automatic transmission control indicator bezel assembly (1). Refer to *Automatic Transmission Control Indicator Bezel Replacement* in SI.



4. Reinstall the transmission control lever boot (1). Refer to *Transmission Control Lever Boot Replacement* in SI.

#### CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT

Customer requests for reimbursement of previously paid repairs for the recall condition are to be submitted to the dealer by April 30, 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.

#### **COURTESY TRANSPORTATION**

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.

**Note:** To avoid having to "H" route the customer reimbursement, it must be submitted prior to the repair transaction.

Labor		Labor	Net
Code	Description	Time	Item
9101339	Automatic Transmission Control Indicator Bezel Replacement	0.2	N/A
9101345	Customer Reimbursement Approved	0.2	*
9101346	Customer Reimbursement Denied - For US Dealers Only	0.1	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>The amount identified in the "Net Item" column should represent the dollar amount reimbursed to the customer.

## **CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION**

General Motors will notify customers of this recall on their vehicle (see copy of customer letter included with this bulletin).

#### DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY

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.

This bulletin is notice to you that the new motor vehicles included in this recall may not comply with the standard identified above. Under Title 49, Section 30112 of the United States Code, it is illegal for a dealer to sell a new motor vehicle which the dealer knows does not comply with an applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard. As a consequence, if you sell any of these motor vehicles without first performing the recall correction, your facility may be subject to a civil penalty for each such sale.

All unsold new vehicles in dealer's 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 facility 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**

April 2015

This notice applies to your vehicle,	VIN:	

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 certain 2013 model year Chevrolet Malibu vehicles equipped with a base-level instrument panel cluster fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 102. As a result, GM is conducting a 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 12162.
- Schedule an appointment with your Chevrolet dealer.
- This service will be performed for you at **no charge**.

Why is your vehicle being recalled?

The console shift indicator may not illuminate the shift position selected and the positions in relation to each other during a key cycle. The illumination returns with a new key cycle. The selected gear position is always displayed on the instrument panel cluster when the ignition is on. If the console shift indicator does not illuminate the shift position selected, a driver could inadvertently select a transmission position other than the position the driver intended, increasing the risk of a crash.

What will we do?

Your Chevrolet dealer will replace the bezel assembly, which contains the PRNDM control module. 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 service correction time of approximately fifteen minutes.

What should you do?

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

Did you already pay for this repair?

If you have already had this condition repaired, you do not need to take your vehicle to your dealer for this recall. If you have paid for repairs for the condition described in this letter, 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 April 30, 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)
Chevrolet	1-800-222-1020	1-800-833-2438
Guam	65-6267-1752	
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 12V378.

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

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