

Chronology for recall 15V324:

On May 19, 2015, the U.S. Department of Transportation held a press conference in which Takata equipment recall 15E-041 was announced. GM then immediately reviewed the part 573 report filed by Takata relating to equipment recall 15E-041.

Prior to the announcement of Takata equipment recall 15E-041, GM had been investigating Takata airbag inflators utilized in GM vehicles since October 26, 2014 and had consistently been providing NHTSA with up-to-date information on GM's investigation as it progressed. As part of this investigation, GM found that approximately 36,000 passenger airbags manufactured by Takata had deployed in GM vehicles as a result of accidents in the field with no evidence of any humidity-related ruptures in Takata airbags in GM vehicles.

Following Takata's announcement of its equipment recall, GM sought clarity from Takata and NHTSA as to what populations were included and whether (a) this equipment recall applied to all vehicles that utilized the Takata SPI inflators as original equipment or (b) this equipment recall applied to specific populations and specific types of vehicle architectures that utilized these inflators in certain regions of high absolute humidity. Takata was unable to provide further clarity. In discussion with NHTSA, GM was informed that NHTSA believed that all 2007-2008 model year Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra 2500/3500 Heavy Duty pickup trucks would be subject to equipment recall 15E-041 regardless of vehicle architecture, high absolute humidity exposure, or other factors.

On May 23, 2015, GM informed NHTSA of its intent to recall all of the subject vehicles in furtherance of Takata's equipment recall.

Updated 20Oct2017 - In accordance with paragraphs 45 - 48 of the Third Amendment to the Coordinated Remedy Order dated December 6, 2016 (the "ACRO"), GM will use the "other" category in its quarterly completion reports and biweekly dashboards reports to report counts of certain unreachable VINs subject to this recall. These VINs will retain an "open" status in GM's data systems.