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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Ms. Regina Carto Executive Director - Global Safety Field Investigations & Regulatory General Motors LLC GM Global Tech Center 29247 Louis Chevrolet Rd, Floor 2 Warren, MI 48093

Subject: Roof Rail Air Bag Deployment May be Degraded

Dear Ms. Carto:

This letter serves to acknowledge General Motors LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

### Makes/Models/Model Years:

BUICK/ENCLAVE/2020 CADILLAC/XT5/2020 CADILLAC/XT6/2020 CHEVROLET/BLAZER/2020 CHEVROLET/SILVERADO 1500/2020 CHEVROLET/SILVERADO 2500/2020 CHEVROLET/SILVERADO 3500/2020 CHEVROLET/TRAVERSE/2020 GMC/ACADIA/2020 GMC/SIERRA 1500/2020 GMC/SIERRA 3500/2020 GMC/SIERRA 3500/2020

Mfr's Report Date: July 30, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V-446

# **Components:**

AIR BAGS:SIDE/WINDOW:CURTAIN:INFLATOR

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 769

# **Problem Description:**

General Motors, LLC. (GM) is recalling certain 2020 Buick Enclave, Cadillac XT5 and XT6, Chevrolet Blazer, Silverado 1500, 2500 and 3500 and Traverse and GMC Acadia and Sierra 1500, 2500 and 3500 vehicles. The diffuser component of the Roof-Rail Air Bag (RRAB) inflator may not have been properly crimped to the inflator and could separate from the inflator during air bag deployment.

# **Consequence:**

If the diffuser separates from the inflator during deployment, RRAB performance may be degraded, increasing the risk of injury in a crash.



# Remedy:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will replace the suspect RRAB modules, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin September 14, 2020. Owners may contact GM customer service at 1-866-522-9559. GM's number for this recall is N202305380.

#### Notes

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

We have received GM's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be DeMara Magruder who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-8538, or by email at demara.magruder@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Joshua Neff Chief, Recall Management Division

Office of Defects Investigations

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