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**Symptom/Vehicle Issue:** The Liftgate Latch Sticks, Will Not Open, Close, Or Hard To Close Manually

**Customer Complaint/Technician Observation:** Liftgate will not open or fully latch on a power close cycle or intermittently won't close. Gate may also require high amount of effort to manually close by hand.

**Discussion:** A liftgate striker adjustment may remedy closing effort issues. Move the striker rearward 1.5mm and re test. If the power and manual opening/closing issues are not resolved, move the striker 1mm rearward again and re test. Gap and flush should also be reviewed once the gate is fully latching for power and manual operation. For adjustments steps and information refer to the Service Library Document for Liftgate Adjustments 23 - Body / Decklid / Hatch / Liftgate / Tailgate / Swing Gate / Liftgate / Adjustments for instructions for adjusting the liftgate striker.

**Tip-** Mark the striker on the body side with a non-permanent pen like a china marker or grease pencil prior to making adjustments so you have a baseline you can go back to and measure how much change is being made.

Image below shows an example of a latching issue. Hard contact between the striker loop and the latch on the right hand side has worn the paint away in the circled contact area. This indicates a striker to latch alignment issue.

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