

GLOBAL SAFETY FIELD INVESTIGATIONS
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URGENT - DISTRIBUTE IMMEDIATELY

Date: May 24, 2023

Subject: N222385510 - Special Coverage
Front Exhaust Pipe

Models: 2021 Buick Enclave
2021 Chevrolet Traverse

To: All General Motors Dealers

General Motors is releasing Special Coverage N222385510 today. The total number of U.S. vehicles involved is approximately 158,441. Please see the attached bulletin for details.

Customer Letter Mailing

The customer letter mailing will begin in June.

Global Warranty Management (GWM)

The Applicable Warranties section on the Investigate Vehicle History (IVH) screen will be updated May 24, 2023. A Stock VIN list is not included as our records show there are no vehicles in dealer new inventory.

END OF MESSAGE

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Release Date: May 2023

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Attention: This Special Coverage can be seen in the Applicable Warranties section in Investigate Vehicle History (IVH).

Make	Model	Model Year		RPO	Description
		From	To		
Buick	Enclave	2021	2021		
Chevrolet	Traverse				

Involved vehicles are identified on the Applicable Warranties section in GM Global Warranty Management system. This site should always be checked to confirm vehicle involvement prior to beginning any required inspections and/or repairs.

Condition	Certain 2021 model year Chevrolet Traverse and Buick Enclave vehicles may have a condition that could cause the mounting bracket on the front exhaust pipe to separate from the pipe. If this condition occurs, a hole may develop in the exhaust pipe at the bracket location, and a rattling or increased exhaust noise may be heard.
Special Coverage Adjustment	<p>This special coverage covers the condition described above for a period of 15 years or 150,000 miles (240,000 km), whichever occurs first, from the date the vehicle was originally placed in service, regardless of ownership.</p> <p>For vehicles covered by Vehicle Service Contracts, all eligible claims with repair orders on or after May 24, 2023, are covered by this special coverage and must be submitted using the labor operation codes provided with this bulletin. Claims with repair orders prior to May 24, 2023, must be submitted to the Service Contract provider.</p> <p>Vehicle owners or lessees who paid for repairs referenced in this Special Coverage ("Customers") are eligible for reimbursement of their reasonable and customary expenses in accordance with the procedures specified below. The conditional right to reimbursement is provided by GM solely in the interest of customer satisfaction and is personal to Customers. <i>Customers may not assign and GM does not consent to any assignment of any Customer's right to submit reimbursement claims, or to receive reimbursement, or any other rights granted by this Special Coverage to any third party, including but not limited to service contract providers, and this Special Coverage is not intended to and does not confer any third party beneficiary, subrogation or contribution rights, or any other rights to reimbursement, against GM, whether in law, equity or otherwise, on any third parties.</i></p>
Correction	Dealers are to replace the front exhaust pipe as necessary. The repairs will be made at no charge to the customer.

Parts

Quantity	Part Name	Part No.
1	Exhaust Front Intermediate Pipe	85542639
2	Catalytic Converter to Front Exhaust Pipe Gasket	84135650

Reminder: Parts may be removed from Retail Inventory Management (RIM). Dealers should review the affected parts to confirm RIM managed status. Parts may have quantity limiters in effect.

Warranty Information

Labor Operation	Description	Labor Time	Trans. Type	Net Item
9900855	Inspect Only – No Further Action Required	0.2	ZREG	N/A
9900856	Exhaust Front Pipe Replacement (Includes inspection)	0.8	ZREG	N/A
9900857	Customer Reimbursement Approved - For USA and Canada dealers only - For Export dealers only	N/A 0.2	ZREG	*
9900858	Customer Reimbursement Denied – For USA dealers only	N/A	ZREG	**

* For USA and Canada: Submit the dollar amount reimbursed to the Customer in Net/Reimbursement. Submit \$20.00 USD (\$25.00 CAD) administrative allowance in Net/Admin Allowance.

For Export: Submit the dollar amount reimbursed to the Customer in Net/Reimbursement.

** Submit \$10.00 administrative allowance in Net/Admin Allowance.

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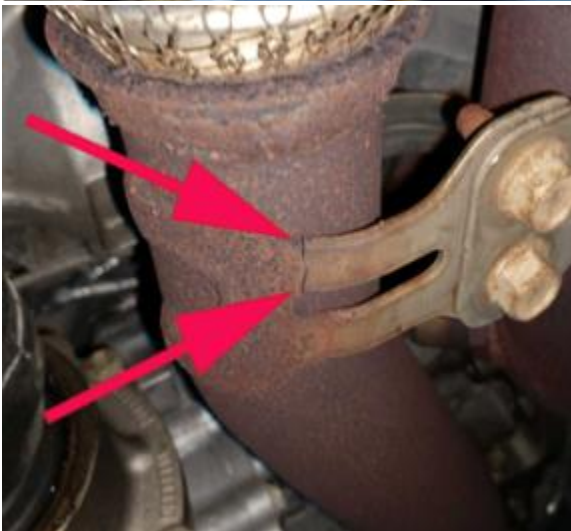


Service Procedure

1. Lift the vehicle. Refer to *Lifting and Jacking the Vehicle* in SI.



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2. Inspect the front exhaust pipe (the one that has the flex section built in) for damaged, cracked, or broken welds as shown in the photos above.
 - If no damage is found, no further action is required.
 - If damage is found, replace the damaged exhaust section. Refer to *Exhaust Front Pipe Replacement* in SI.

Courtesy Transportation – For USA & Canada

Courtesy transportation is available for Customers whose vehicles are involved in a product program and still within the warranty coverage period. See General Motors Service Policies and Procedures Manual for courtesy transportation program details.

Customer Notification

General Motors will notify Customers of this special coverage on their vehicle (see copy of typical Customer letter included with this bulletin).

Customer Reimbursement

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 June 30, 2024. See General Motors Service Policies and Procedures Manual, Product Field Action Customer Reimbursement Procedure (USA & Canada) or local Policies and Procedures, for details.

GM bulletins are intended for use by professional technicians, NOT a "do-it-yourselfer". They are written to inform these technicians of conditions that may occur on some vehicles, or to provide information that could assist in the proper service of a vehicle. Properly trained technicians have the tools, equipment, safety instructions, and know-how to do a job properly and safely. If a condition is described, DO NOT assume that the bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle will have that condition. See your dealer for information on whether your vehicle may benefit from the information.



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June 2023

This notice applies to your vehicle, **VIN:** _____

Dear General Motors Customer:

As the owner of a 2021 model year Buick Enclave or Chevrolet Traverse your satisfaction with our product is very important to us.

This letter is intended to make you aware that some 2021 model year Buick Enclave or Chevrolet Traverse vehicles, may have a condition that could cause the mounting bracket on the front exhaust pipe to separate from the pipe. If this condition occurs, a hole may develop in the exhaust pipe at the bracket location, and a rattling or increased exhaust noise may be heard.

Do not take your vehicle to your GM dealer as a result of this letter unless you believe that your vehicle has the condition as described above.

What We Have Done: General Motors is providing owners with additional protection for the condition described above. If this condition occurs on your 2021 model year Buick Enclave or Chevrolet Traverse within 15 years of the date your vehicle was originally placed in service or 150,000 miles (240,000 km), whichever occurs first, the condition will be repaired for you at **no charge**. Diagnosis or repair for conditions other than the condition described above is not covered under this special coverage program. For customer's vehicles already outside of the above years and/or miles, we are still offering reimbursement if the issue occurred within the years and miles stated above. Please follow the reimbursement steps below.

What You Should Do: If you believe that your vehicle has the condition described above, repairs and adjustments qualifying under this special coverage must be performed by a General Motors dealer. You may want to contact your GM dealer to find out how long they will need to have your vehicle so that you may schedule the appointment at a time that is convenient for you. This will also allow your dealer to order parts if they are not already in stock. Keep this letter with your other important glove box literature for future reference.

Reimbursement: If you have already 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 June 30, 2024, unless state law specifies a longer reimbursement period.

The right to submit reimbursement claims is provided by GM solely in the interest of customer satisfaction and is personal to vehicle owners and lessees who previously paid for repairs referenced in this Special Coverage ("Customers"). **Customers may not assign and GM does not consent to any assignment of any Customer's right to submit reimbursement claims, or to receive reimbursement, or any other rights granted by this Special Coverage to any third party, including but not limited to service contract providers, and this Special Coverage is not intended to and does not confer any third party beneficiary, subrogation or contribution rights, or any other rights to reimbursement, against GM, whether in law, equity or otherwise, on any third parties.**

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please contact your dealer or the appropriate Customer Assistance Center at the number listed below.

For the hearing or speech impaired, please contact our Customer Assistance Center using the Telecommunication Relay Service by dialing 711 then providing the appropriate Customer Assistance Center number for your vehicle.

Division	Number	Text Telephones (TTY)
Buick	1-800-521-7300	711 / 1-800-833-2438
Chevrolet	1-800-222-1020	711 / 1-800-833-2438
Puerto Rico – English	1-866-467-9700	
Puerto Rico – Español	1-866-467-9700	
Virgin Islands	1-866-467-9700	

We are sorry for any inconvenience you may experience; however, we have taken this action in the interest of your continued satisfaction with our products.

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Customer Experience Operations

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