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Symptom/Vehicle Issue: Rear Door High Closing Effort.

**Discussion**: Rear door latch parts returns to the Quality Engineering Center exhibit no failures when installed on a test vehicle. Latches do show wear marks on the fish mouth of the latch indicating the striker was contacting the latch instead of being centered (Fig 1). Review of the claims information links the replacement of the latches to a customer complaint of high closing effort. When diagnosing a vehicle with this complaint, first start with verifying door fitment, gap and flush. Refer to Service Library 23 - Body / Doors - Rear / STRIKER, Door Latch / Removal and Installation for striker information and 23 - Body / Body Structure / Gap and Flush / Specifications for information on door adjustments.



Fig 1. Wear on door latch edge from striker contact.

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