

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF NONCOMPLIANCE  
INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 99V-297 by the  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Part 573 Report Date: **October 26, 1999**

**MANUFACTURER: General Motors Corporation (GM)**

**MANUFACTURER CONTACT: Mr. Frank C. Sonye, Jr.  
Director, Product Investigations**

**FAX: (810) 947-2318**

**SUBJECT: 7,458 Saturn 2000 S-Series (SC, SW, and SW) vehicles equipped with a console armrest and manufactured from June through August 1999, fail to comply with requirements of FMVSS No. 201, "Occupant Protection in Interior Impacts." The armrests were produced with a latch that will not withstand the vertical force requirements of the standard. GM Recall No. 99071/Saturn Recall No. 00-C-07.**

This is an initial acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle which fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

We have reviewed your dealer/owner notification letter drafts and they meet the requirements of Part 577.

As stated in Part 573.6, 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. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to occur during October 1999. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by January 30, 2000.

If you have any questions, please call:



Patricia Wallace, Recall Analyst on (202) 366-5232 or  
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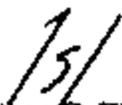
Dear Mr. Sonye:

After review of the file concerning this recall, it appears that an acknowledgment letter was never sent to you. Please accept our apologies for this oversight.

We have reviewed General Motors Corporation's (GM) Noncompliance Information Report dated October 26, 1999, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 7,458 Saturn 2000 S-Series vehicles equipped with a console armrest manufactured from June through August 1999. These console armrests were produced with a latch that will not withstand the vertical force requirements of armrest, this does not comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 201, "Occupant Protection in Interior Impacts," the standard. In the event of a crash, the latch may open and the armrest or the contents of the console could injure an occupant. The assigned identification number for this recall is 99V-297.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

  
Jonathan D. White, Chief  
Recall Analysis Division  
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Safety Assurance