



July 22, 2014

Ms. Nancy Lewis
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE – Room W45-306
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Ms. Lewis:

The following information is submitted pursuant to the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 as it applies to a determination by General Motors to conduct a safety related recall involving 2015 model year (MY) Chevrolet Suburban and Tahoe and GMC Yukon and Yukon XL vehicles.

573.6(c)(1): Chevrolet and GMC Brands of General Motors Company.

573.6(c)(2)(3)(4): This information is shown on the attached sheet.

573.6(c)(5): General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2015 MY Chevrolet Suburban and Tahoe and GMC Yukon and Yukon XL vehicles. Twenty-two vehicles produced for sale in the U.S. were built with a combination of roof carrier retaining nut and roof rail airbag (RRAB) that may create holes or tears in the RRAB upon deployment. If a hole or tear is created during deployment, the RRAB may not meet internal GM requirements for cushion integrity. This may increase the risk of full or partial ejection in rollover events or increase the risk of injury in multiple impacts.

573.6(c)(6): On June 5, 2014, Interior Engineering personnel identified a potential issue relating to a plant trial run (PTR) conducted on May 13, 2014. The PTR was intended to test the manufacturability of a new retaining acorn nut. However, the new acorn nuts were only to be used in combination with a RRAB that had been reinforced at the contact points with the nut. This specific, reinforced RRAB had not yet been introduced into production on May 13, 2014. Therefore the use of the new acorn nut during the PTR produced vehicles in which the new acorn nuts were used in combination with non-reinforced RRABs. The plant was unaware at the time of the May 13, 2014 PTR that the acorn nut should only have been installed in combination with the reinforced RRAB, which was not yet available for production.

GM Interior Engineering notified Product Investigations of this potential issue and a Product Investigator was assigned on June 9, 2014.



On July 15, 2014, the Safety and Field Action Decision Authority (SFADA) decided to conduct a safety recall.

573.6(c)(8): Dealers are to replace the acorn nut with the production released nut and vinyl cap.

General Motors will send dealer bulletins on July 23, 2014. General Motors will provide owner letter mail dates when available.

Pursuant to 577.11, General Motors does not plan to provide notice about reimbursement to owners because all involved vehicles are covered under the new vehicle warranty.

573.6(c)(10): General Motors will provide the dealer bulletin and owner letter under separate cover.

573.6(c)(11): General Motors' assigned recall number is 14359.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Latouf", written in a cursive style.

Brian Latouf, Director
Field Product Investigations & Evaluations

Attachment

573.6(c)(2)(3)(4)

VEHICLES POTENTIALLY AFFECTED BY MAKE, MODEL, AND MODEL YEAR
PLUS INCLUSIVE DATES OF MANUFACTURE

<u>MAKE</u>	<u>MODEL SERIES</u>	<u>MODEL YEAR</u>	<u>NUMBER INVOLVED</u>	<u>INCLUSIVE MANUFACTURING DATES (FROM) (TO)</u>		<u>DESCRIPTIVE INFO. TO PROPERLY IDENT. VEH.</u>	<u>EST. NO. W/CONDITION</u>
Chevrolet	C/K	2015	8	05/13/2014	05/13/2014	Suburban	*
Chevrolet	C/K	2015	2	05/13/2014	05/13/2014	Suburban LTZ	*
Chevrolet	C/K	2015	6	05/13/2014	05/13/2014	Tahoe	*
Chevrolet	C/K	2015	3	05/13/2014	05/13/2014	Tahoe LTZ	*
GMC	C/K	2015	1	05/13/2014	05/13/2014	Yukon	*
GMC	C/K	2015	2	05/13/2014	05/13/2014	Yukon XL Denali	*
GM Total:			22				

* All involved vehicles will be corrected as necessary.

573.6(c)(2)(iv): NA