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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 certain 2013 model year Buick Encore and Cadillac ATS 4 door vehicles.

573.6(c)(1): Buick and Cadillac 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 2013 model year Buick Encore and Cadillac ATS 4 door vehicles. Some of these vehicles may have a condition in which the front outboard lap belt pretensioner cables will retract upon deployment to pull in seat belt webbing, as intended, but may not lock in that position, allowing the cable and the retracted webbing to return to their original positions under occupant loading. If this occurs, there may be an increased risk of occupant excursion in frontal and rollover impacts, which increases the risk of injury to an occupant.

573.6(c)(6):

On July 31, 2014, the Safety and Field Action Decision Authority (SFADA) decided to conduct a safety recall. General Motors will be submitting a supplemental chronology on or before August 21, 2014.

573.6(c)(8): Dealers are to replace the both front outboard lap belt pretensioners.

General Motors will provide the dealer bulletin and 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 14171.



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Latouf". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "B" and a stylized "L" for "Latouf".

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>
Buick	J	2013	12,977	08/23/2012	03/01/2013	Encore	*
Cadillac	A	2013	35,082	04/23/2012	05/01/2013	ATS	"
	GM Total:		48,059				

* All involved vehicles will be corrected as necessary.

573.6(c)(2)(iv): Takata Corporation

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The lap belt pretensioner is manufactured in Mexico.