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Ms. Nancy Lewis
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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 an amendment to the information in GM's 573 letter dated October 30, 2012, and to the population revision dated November 11, 2012, to a determination by General Motors to conduct a safety related recall for certain 2012 model year (MY) Buick Verano and Chevrolet Cruze and Sonic vehicles.

GM is amending sections 573.6(c)(2),(3),(4) and 573.6(c)(6) of the letter to revise the population to include 2012 MY Chevrolet Camaro vehicles and additional production of the 2012 MY Buick Verano and Chevrolet Cruze and Sonic vehicles. The total of 3,896 vehicles is being added.

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

573.6(c)(6): On October 30, 2012, General Motors decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, existed in certain 2012 MY Buick Verano and Chevrolet Cruze and Sonic vehicles built from April 2012 to June 2012. Some of those vehicles had a condition in which the shorting bar inside of the dual stage driver's airbag may occasionally contact the primary stage airbag terminals. As a follow-up to discussions between the NHTSA and General Motors concerning this issue, GM investigated airbag warranty reports and other claims from vehicles built before April 2012. All claims were then analyzed by day of vehicle build which showed elevated rates on vehicles built between December 2011 and February 2012. On some of these vehicles, the shorting bar was sometimes in contact with the secondary stage airbag terminals. This analysis found that the airbags that were generating the elevated claim rates contained inflators that were built on December 3 and 7, 2011. This analysis was completed on January 10, 2013.

Sincerely,

M. Carmen Benavides, Director
Product Investigations and Safety Regulations

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Attachment



**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	P	2012	308	04/02/1012	06/28/2012	Verano	*
Chevrolet	P	2012	1,944	04/11/1012	06/29/2012	Cruze	"
Chevrolet	J	2012	697	06/12/1012	06/27/2012	Sonic	"
GM Total:			2,949				
<u>Expanded Population</u>							
Buick	P	2012	409	12/20/1011	01/24/2012	Verano	*
Chevrolet	P	2012	1,981	12/19/1011	01/25/2012	Cruze	"
Chevrolet	J	2012	1,077	12/16/1011	01/30/2012	Sonic	"
Chevrolet	E	2012	429	12/19/1011	02/01/2012	Camaro	"
GM Total:			3,896				
GM Combined Total:			6,845				

* All involved vehicles will be corrected as necessary.