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# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Ms. Sabrina Groshek Executive Director, Global Systems & Product Investigation General Motors, LLC General Motors Company 29427 Louis Chevrolet Road Warren, MI 48093-2350 NEF-107DM 22V-036

Subject: Rear Wheel Driveshaft Assemblies May Fail

Dear Ms. Groshek:

This letter serves to acknowledge General Motors, LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

### Makes/Models/Model Years:

CADILLAC/ESCALADE/2021 CADILLAC/ESCALADE ESV/2021 CHEVROLET/SUBURBAN/2021 CHEVROLET/TAHOE/2021 GMC/YUKON/2021 GMC/YUKON XL/2021

Mfr's Report Date: January 27, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-036

**Components:** 

POWER TRAIN: DRIVELINE: DRIVESHAFT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 1,789

## **Problem Description:**

General Motors, LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2021 GMC Yukon, Yukon XL, Cadillac Escalade, Escalade ESV, Chevrolet Suburban, and Chevrolet Tahoe vehicles. The rear wheel driveshaft assemblies may have internal components that were not heat-treated properly, possibly resulting in driveshaft failure.

### **Consequence:**

Driveshaft failure can cause a sudden loss of drive power, increasing the risk of a crash.

#### Remedy

Dealers will replace the left and/or right rear driveshaft assemblies, free of charge. An owner notification letter mailing date has not been finalized. Owners may contact Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-222-1020; Cadillac customer service at 1-800-458-8006 or GMC customer service at 1-800-462-8782. GM's number for this recall is N212351030.



#### Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of eight consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

General Motors, LLC's contact for this recall will be DeMara Magruder who may be reached by email at demara.magruder@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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