

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

August 15, 2022

Ms. Sabrina Groshek
Executive Director, Global Systems & Product Investigation
General Motors, LLC
General Motors Company
29427 Louis Chevrolet Road

Subject: Improper Rivets on Seat Belt Buckle Assembly

Dear Ms. Groshek:

Warren, MI 48093-2350

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.

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

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### Makes/Models/Model Years:

CADILLAC/ESCALADE/2021-2022 CADILLAC/ESCALADE ESV/2021-2022 CHEVROLET/SUBURBAN/2021-2022 CHEVROLET/TAHOE/2021-2022 GMC/YUKON/2021-2022 GMC/YUKON XL/2021-2022

**Mfr's Report Date:** August 11, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-617

**Components:** 

SEAT BELTS: CRITICAL FASTENERS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 484,155

# **Problem Description:**

General Motors, LLC (M) is recalling certain 2021-2022 Cadillac Escalade, Escalade ESV, Chevrolet Suburban, Tahoe, GMC Yukon, and Yukon XL vehicles equipped with third-row seats. The rivet that retains the buckle to the mounting bracket in the left or right side third-row seat belt buckle assembly may have been improperly formed.

## **Consequence:**

A seat belt with a deformed rivet may not properly restrain an occupant, increasing the risk of injury during a crash.

### Remedy

Dealers will inspect the rivet head formation on both the left and right side third-row seat belt buckle assemblies and replace seat belt buckle assemblies, as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed September 26, 2022. Owners may contact Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-222-1020; Cadillac customer service at 1-800-458-8006; and GMC customer service at 1-800-462-8782. GM's number for this recall is N222372380.



### 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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