3. The gear selected is always provided in a redundant display located in the instrument panel (IP) cluster.
   a. The up-level IP cluster is utilized in 85% of the vehicle production and displays the gear selected in relation to the other gears for 3 seconds whenever the vehicle is shifted. After 3 seconds the IP cluster displays only the gear selected.
   b. 15% of production has the base IP cluster which displays only the gear selected.
   c. The gear selected is provided as a secondary display in the IP cluster and the shifter in the subject vehicle utilizes a linear shift pattern (used on US vehicles for more than 50 years). Since the relationship between PARK, REVERSE, NEUTRAL and DRIVE is well understood by the driving public, this should assist the operator in determining the shift lever’s position in relationship to the other gear positions even when not illuminated.
   d. Brake Transmission Shift Interlock (BTSI) helps to assure the driver is not caught unaware when shifting from PARK since the operator must first apply the brake.
   e. On the subject vehicles mis-shifting is prevented while the vehicles are in motion. At speeds above 10 MPH, shifting from DRIVE to REVERSE or PARK; or shifting from REVERSE to PARK or DRIVE, is electronically inhibited.
   f. The frequency of the condition occurring is rare and random.
      a. As of 25 July 2012, there were only ten reported incidents which occurred on seven of 285 captured test fleet (CTF) vehicles. The condition was reported twice on two of the CTF vehicles and did not occur on consecutive ignition cycles.
      b. During the investigation, it took more than a week of testing during which approximately 1000 ignition cycles were conducted on each of four CTF vehicles reported to have the condition in order to recreate the occurrence.
   c. Warranty claims as of 25 July 2012
      i. US Warranty 3 of 8,573 vehicles
      ii. China Warranty 2 of 11,872 vehicles
      iii. Korea Warranty 3 of 4,968 vehicles
      d. None of the Warranty claims or CTF reports indicated that the operator had experienced a mis-shift condition.
   e. No claims were discovered related to injury or crash.
   f. As of August 1, 2012, GM found no Vehicle Owner’s Questionnaires (VOQs) resulting from the subject condition during its search of the NHTSA database.
   g. GM stated its belief that NHTSA has corrected the noncompliance so that all future production will comply with FMVSS No. 102.

In summation, GM believes that the described noncompliance of the subject vehicles is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety, and that its petition, to exempt from providing recall notification of noncompliance as required by 49 U.S.C. 30118 and remedying the recall noncompliance as required by 49 U.S.C. 30120 should be granted.

Authority: (49 U.S.C. 30118, 30120; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.95 and 501.6)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Bureau of the Fiscal Service
Proposed Collection: Comment Request for Voluntary Customer Satisfaction Surveys

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Fiscal Service within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Customer Satisfaction Survey.