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From: Kevin.Vincent [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Sent: Mon, May 19, 2014 5:16 pm
Subject: RE: Gene Mikale Erickson

Dear Ms. Erickson,

This responds to your inquiry seeking that General Motors (GM) acknowledge that your son Gene Mikale Erickson is one of the thirteen individuals whom GM has identified as a person killed in a crash associated with the safety defect in Chevrolet Cobalt and Saturn Ion vehicles. You also have submitted an authorization for NHTSA to disclose information related to your son's crash to the public.

I first want to say that I am very saddened and truly sorry for your loss.

Although NHTSA does not have direct information from GM about individual identities, we understand that GM counts Mr. Erickson's death in its list of thirteen deaths. We recommend that you contact GM directly to verify that GM has counted Mr. Erickson as one of the thirteen deaths it has associated with the safety defect in the Chevrolet Cobalt and Saturn Ion vehicles. We recommend this because, while GM is required to submit information related to deaths when notifying NHTSA of a safety recall, it is not required to specifically name the individuals involved in fatal crashes.

Please accept my apologies that I did not respond to your initial request.

Thank you for contacting NHTSA. We appreciate your willingness to release the information related to your son's death to the public. I am very sorry for your loss.

Sincerely,

Kevin Vincent

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From: Rhonda Erickson [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2014 12:41 PM
To: Vincent, Kevin (NHTSA)
Subject: Gene Mikale Erickson

Waiting on your response to my letter to release my son's name in the GMC deaths. Thank you very much ,
Rhonda Erickson
