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GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION 2008 CHEVROLET MALIBU HYBRID 4-DOOR SEDAN

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SECTION 1

PURPOSE AND TEST PROCEDURE

This rear impact test is part of the FMVSS 301 Compliance Test Program sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) under Contract No. DTNH22-06-C-00031. The purpose of this test was to determine if the subject vehicle, a 2008 Chevrolet Malibu Hybrid 4-door Sedan, meets the performance requirements of FMVSS No. 301R-02 "Fuel System Integrity – Rear Impact." The test was conducted in accordance with the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance's Laboratory Test Procedure (TP-301R-02, dated January 17, 2007).

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SECTION 2

COMPLIANCE TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

An 1818 kg, 2008 Chevrolet Malibu Hybrid 4-door Sedan was impacted from the rear by a 1362.5 kg moving barrier at a velocity of 78.5 kph (48.8 mph). The test was performed by Calspan Corporation on 6/5/08.

The test vehicle was equipped with a 61.7 liter fuel tank which was filled to 92 percent capacity with stoddard fluid prior to impact. Additional ballast (37 kg) was secured in the vehicle cargo area. Two ballast Part 572E 50th percentile male Anthropomorphic Test Device (ATD) were placed in the front occupant seating positions.

The crash event was recorded by three high-speed cameras and one real-time camera. High-speed camera locations and other pertinent camera information are found on page 3-6 of this report. Pre- and post-test photographs of the vehicle can be found in Appendix A.

There was no fuel system fluid spillage following the impact or during any portion of the static rollover test. The average vehicle longitudinal crush was 334.7 millimeters. The vehicle appeared to comply with all the requirements of FMVSS No. 301 "Fuel System Integrity."

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SECTION 3

SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS

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TEST VEHICLE SPECIFICATIONS

TEST VEHICLE INFOR Year/Make/Model/Body		2008 Che	vrolet Malibu 4	-door Sedan		
Vehicle Body Color:	Silver	NHTSA Numb	er:	C801	10	
Engine Data:	4 Cylinders;	- CID;	2.4 Li	ters;	- cc	
Transmission:	4 Speed; - Manua	al; x	Automatic;	-	Overdrive	
Final Drive:	- Rear Wheel Drive;	X	Front Wheel D	Prive; -	Four Wheel Drive	
MAJOR TEST VEHICL	E OPTIONS:				_	
	wr Steering; <u>x</u> Power Bi		Locks;			
<u>x</u> ABS; <u>x</u> Ti		uroi <u>x</u> i racu	on Control <u>x</u>	_Anu-Therr		
Date Received:	4/28/07 ;	Odometer Readin	σ	79	km	
Selling Dealer:	,	West Herr Chevro				
Dealer Address:	3575	Southwestern Blvd				
	'S CERTIFICATION LABEL:		Orenard Fark,	111 1712/		
Vehicle Manufacture		=	ors Corporation			
Vehicle Build Da			2/08			
VIN	-		5X8F228464			
	038 kg; GAWR:	1068 kg FRO		70 kg F	REAR	
DATA FROM VEHICLE	'S TIRE LABEL AND SIDEW					
Location of Tire Pl	acard:	 Dri	ver B-Pillar			
Type of Spare Tire	:	Tire sealant and inf	lator kit in place	of spare tire		
•••		From			Rear	
Maximum Tire Pressure (sidewall - kPa)	240)		240	
Cold Pressure (tire placare	d - kPa) – test pressure	240	240		240	
Recommended Tire Size	(tire placard)	P215/60	P215/60R16		P215/60R16	
Vehicle Tire Size with loa	d index & speed symbol	P215/60R	16 94S	P215	P215/60R16 94S	
Tire Manufacturer		Uniro	Uniroyal		Uniroyal	
Tire Name	Tiger	Tiger Paw		iger Paw		
Treadwear, Traction, Tem	540 A	В	4	540 A B		
VEHICLE CAPACITY D	ATA:	•				
Type of Front Se	eats: - B	ench; x	Bucket;	- Sp	lit Bench	
Number of Occu	pants: 2 F	ront; 3	Rear;	5 To	otal	
Vehicle Capacity	Weight (VCW) =	41	.6 kg			
No. of Occupant	$s \times 68.04 \text{ kg} =$	340).2 kg			
Rated Cargo/Lug	ggage Weight (RCLW) =	75	.8 kg			

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PRE-TEST DATA

WEIGHT OF TEST VEHICLE AS RECEIVED FROM DEALER (with maximum fluids)= UDW:

	Left Side (kg)	Right Side (kg)	Ratio (%)	Total (kg)
Front =	486	477	60.1	963.0
Rear =	324	314	39.9	638.0
	1601.0			

CALCULATION OF VEHICLE'S TARGET TEST WEIGHT:

Total Delivered Weight (UDW) =	1601.0	kg
Rated Cargo/Luggage Weight (RCLW) =	75.8	kg
Weight of 2 p.572E Dummies @ 78 each =	148	kg
TARGET TEST WEIGHT =	1824.8	kg

WEIGHT OF TEST VEHICLE WITH TWO DUMMIES AND 69.0 KG OF CARGO WEIGHT:

	Left Side (kg)	Right Side (kg)	Ratio (%)	Total (kg)
Front =	545	542	59.8	1087.0
Rear =	374	357	40.2	731.0
	1818.0			

Weight of Ballast Secured in Vehicle ¹ =	37	kg	Ballast Type	Lead shot

Method of securing Ballast:Compartment placement

Components Removed for Weight Reduction: None

VEHICLE ATTITUDE (all dimension in millimeters):

	Left Front	Right Front	Left Rear	Right Rear	CG ²
AS DELIVERED:	739	741	751	752	1136
AS TESTED:	717	716	725	722	1145

Vehicle's Wheel Base: 2850 mm

VEHICLE PRE-TEST WIDTH AND IMPACT OFFSET MEASUREMENT:

Vehicle Width at Widest Point:_	1780	_mm	Location:	C-Pillar
Centerline offset for impact line:	356	_mm		
Filler neck side (left/right)_	Right	_		

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¹Ballast weight does not include the weight of instrumentation, on-board cameras and data acquisition system

²Rearward of the front axle centerline.

DATA SHEET 2 (continued)

PRE-TEST DATA

Vehicle: 2008 Chevrolet Malibu 4-door Sedan NHTSA No. C80110 Nominal Design Riding Position for adjustable driver and passenger seat backs. Please describe how to position the inclinometer to measure the seat back angle. Include description of the location of the adjustment latch detent, if applicable. Seat back angle for driver's seat: 5.2 on head restraint post Measurement instructions: 9 degrees rearward of full up -1^{st} notch Seat back angle for passenger's seat: 4.8 on head restraint post 9 degrees rearward of full up – 1st notch Measurement instructions: 2. SEAT FORE AND AFT POSITIONING: Positioning of the driver's seat: Full up forward to full down rear travel is 282 mm. Front edge of seat cushion was set to 141 mm which was notch 10 from 0. Seat cushion was set in full down position. Positioning of the passenger's seat: Full forward to full rear was 24 notches - Seat placed in notch 12 from 0 FUEL TANK CAPACITY DATA: 3. 3.1 A. "Usable Capacity" of the standard equipment fuel tank is 61.7 liters B. "Usable Capacity" of the optional equipment fuel tank is liters C. "Usable Capacity" of the vehicle(s) used for certification 56.77 58.00 liters to testing to requirements of FMVSS 301 = 3.2 Actual Amount of Stoddard solvent added to vehicle for test = 56.8 liters Stoddard Fluid: specific gravity: 0.764; kinematic viscosity: 0.96 centistokes; Red color: Yes- x ; No-3.3 Is vehicle equipped with electric fuel pump? If YES, explain the vehicle operating conditions under which the fuel pump will pump fuel. With ignition turned on 4. STEERING COLUMN ADJUSTMENTS: Steering wheel and column adjustments are made so that the steering wheel hub is at the geometric center of the locus it describes when it is moved through its full range of driving positions. If the tested vehicle has any of these adjustments, does your company use any specific procedures to determine the geometric center. Operational Instructions: Telescoping column was set to mid travel of 25 mm. Geometric center of wheel was set at 21.8 degrees on face of wheel. SEAT BELT UPPER ANCHORAGE: 5. Nominal design riding position: Set at top position of 0 6. COMMENTS:

None

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MOVING DEFORMABLE BARRIER (MDB) DATA

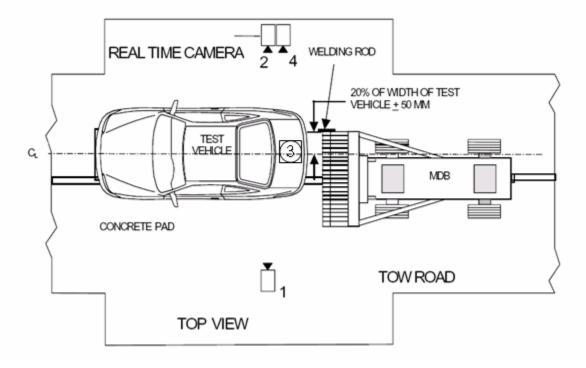
Vehicle: 2008 Chevrolet Malibu 4-door Sedan NHTSA No. C80110 MDB FACE MANUFACTURER AND SERIAL NUMBER: N/AMDB DETAILS: Overall Width of Framework Carriage 1250 millimeters = Overall Length of MDB (incl. honeycomb impact face) 4120 millimeters = 2591 millimeters Wheelbase of Framework Carriage 1875 Tread of Framework Carriage (Front & Rear) millimeters 1139 C.G. Location Rearward of Front Axle millimeters MDB WEIGHT: Left Front 357.0 kg Left Rear 323.0 kg Right Front 404.0 Right Rear 273.5 =kg = kg TOTAL FRONT = 761.0 TOTAL REAR 596.5 kg kg TOTAL MDB WEIGHT = 1357.5 kg Tires (Mfr, line, size): TIRE PRESSURE: Left Front 207 kPa Left Rear 207 kPa Right Front 207 kPa Right Rear 207 kPa Brake Abort System? (Yes/No) YES Date of Last Calibration: YES

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HIGH SPEED CAMERA LOCATIONS AND DATA SUMMARY

Vehicle: 2008 Chevrolet Malibu 4-door Sedan

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Camera No.	View	Coordinates (millimeters)		Angle (deg.)	Lens (mm)	Film Speed (fps)	
		X*	Y*	Z*			
1	Left Side View	7916	2059	-1061	0.0	25	1000
2	Real-Time Camera	-	-	-	-	-	30
3	Overhead View	0	263	-4880	90	12.5	1000
4	Right Side View	7298	279	-934	-3.9	25	1000

^{*} Reference (from point of impact); all measurements accurate to within ±6 mm.

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X = (Impact Point) + Forward

Y = (Impact Point) + To Right

Z = (Ground Level) + Down

POST-TEST DATA

Vehicle: 2008 Chevrolet Malibu 4-door Sedan	NHTSA No. <u>C80110</u>
REQUIRED IMPACT VELOCITY RANGE:: 78.5 to 80.1 km/h	
ACTUAL IMPACT VELOCITY WITHIN 1.5 M OF IMPACT PLANE:	
Trap No. 1 = $\frac{78.5}{\text{km/h}}$ Km/h Trap No. 2 = $\frac{78.5}{\text{km/h}}$ km/h	
Average Impact Speed = 78.5 km/h	
WELDING ROD IMPACT POINT:	
Vertical distance from target center (+ is above) Tolerance: ±40 mm	
Horizontal distance from target center (+ is right) Tolerance: ±50 mm	
STODDARD SOLVENT SPILLAGE MEASUREMENT:	
A. Front impact until vehicle motion ceases -	
$Actual = \underline{\qquad \qquad} g \qquad Maximum \ Allowable = 28 \ g$	
B. For 5 minute period after vehicle motion ceases -	
$Actual = \underline{\qquad \qquad} g Maximum \ Allowable = 28 \ g$	
C. For next 25 minutes -	
Actual = g/minute Maximum Allowable = 28 g/minute	
D. Provide Spillage Details:	
NONE	

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POST-TEST DATA (Continued)

Vehicle: 2008 Chevrolet Malibu 4-door Sedan NHTSA No. C80110

POST TEST SEAT DATA

LOCATION	SEAT MOVEMENT (mm)	SEAT BACK FAILURE
P1 (Left Front)	0	Reclined
P2 (Right Front)	0	Reclined

POST TEST ATD CONTACT DATA

LOCATION	Position 1 (Driver)	Position 2 (Passenger)		
Head	Back of head to seat head restraint	Back of head to seat head restraint		
Chest	-	-		
Abdomen	-	-		
Left Knee	-	-		
Right Knee	-	-		

VEHICLE DIMENSIONS:

Vehicle length:

	Left Side	Centerline	Right Side
Pre-Test	4715	4865	4717
Post-Test	4631	4421	4241
Crush	84	444	476

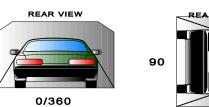
Vehicle Wheel Base:

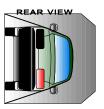
	Left Side	Right Side
Pre-Test	2850	2850
Post-Test	2882	2754
Crush	-32	96

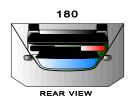
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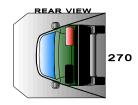
FMVSS 301 ROLLOVER DATA

Vehicle: 2008 Chevrolet Malibu 4-door Sedan









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I. <u>DETERMINATION OF SOLVENT COLLECTION TIME PERIOD</u>:

Rollover Stage			FMVSS 301 Hold Time		Total Time			Next Whole Minute Interval				
0° - 90°	1	minutes	09	seconds	5	minutes	6	minutes	9	seconds	7	minutes
90° - 180°	1	minutes	13	seconds	5	minutes	6	minutes	13	seconds	7	minutes
180°-270°	1	minutes	12	seconds	5	minutes	6	minutes	12	seconds	7	minutes
270°-360°	1	minutes	07	seconds	5	minutes	6	minutes	7	seconds	7	minutes

II. FMVSS 301 REQUIREMENTS: (Maximum allowable solvent spillage):

First 5 minutes from onset of rotation	6th min.	7th min.	8th min. (if required)
142 g	28 g	28 g	28 g

III. ACTUAL TEST VEHICLE SOLVENT SPILLAGE:

Rollover Stage	First 5 minutes from onset of rotation (g)	6th min. (g)	7th min. (g)	8th min. (if required) (g)
0° - 90°	0	0	0	N/A
90° - 180°	0	0	0	N/A
180°-270°	0	0	0	N/A
270°-360°	0	0	0	N/A

Note: Record spillage for whole minute intervals only as determined above.

IV. SOLVENT SPILLAGE LOCATION(S):

Rollover Stage	Spillage Location
0° - 90°	None
90° - 180°	None
180°-270°	None
270°-360°	None

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Figure A-6: Post-Test Left Side View

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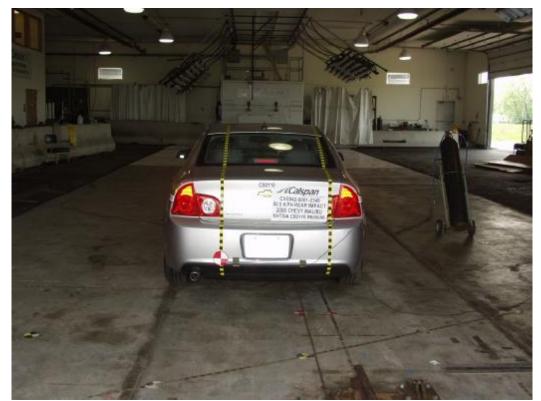


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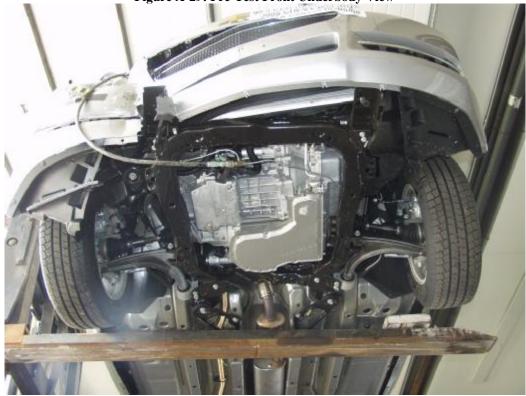


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