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**Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 138 *Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems***

On February 2, 2015, we issued Registered Importer Newsletter No. 50, addressing the importation of Canadian-certified vehicles subject to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 138 *Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems (TPMS)*. The newsletter stated that to be eligible for importation under the blanket eligibility decisions that apply to Canadian-certified vehicles, and be thereby covered by vehicle eligibility numbers VSA-80 and VSA-81, a Canadian-certified passenger car, or a Canadian-certified multipurpose passenger vehicle, truck or bus with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less, that is manufactured on or after September 1, 2007, must be originally manufactured with a TPMS that fully complies with the requirements of FMVSS No. 138. The newsletter further stated:

**Any such vehicle that was not originally manufactured with an FMVSS No. 138-compliant TPMS cannot be imported under vehicle eligibility numbers VSA-80 or VSA-81 unless the vehicle has been retrofitted, prior to entry into the United States, with a TPMS identical to, and with the same part number as, the TPMS installed on vehicles manufactured for sale in the United States by the original manufacturer (OEM).**

The newsletter had two appendices. Appendix A contained a list of Canadian-certified vehicles that are not equipped with FMVSS No. 138-compliant TPMS. The newsletter stated that any vehicle listed in Appendix A cannot be imported under vehicle eligibility numbers VSA-80 or VSA-81 unless an OEM TPMS is installed in the vehicle prior to entry, and the RI is able to prove, in the conformity package that it submits to NHTSA to obtain release of the DOT Conformance bond, that such a system has been installed. The only acceptable proof would be an invoice from a franchised dealership or authorized repair facility of the original manufacturer showing that an OEM TPMS has been installed, along with a photograph of the vehicle's dash showing the TPMS telltales illuminated.

Appendix B to the newsletter contained a list of Canadian-certified vehicles on which an FMVSS No. 138-compliant TPMS was available as optional equipment. The newsletter stated that any vehicle listed in Appendix B cannot be imported under vehicle eligibility numbers VSA-80 or VSA-81 unless the optional FMVSS No. 138-compliant TPMS was installed on the vehicle as originally manufactured or an OEM TPMS is installed in the vehicle prior to entry, and the RI is able to prove, in the conformity package that it submits to NHTSA to obtain release of the DOT Conformance bond, that such a system has been installed. For vehicles with an optional FMVSS No. 138-compliant TPMS installed as original equipment, acceptable proof would consist of a photograph of the vehicle's dash showing the TPMS telltales illuminated. For vehicles with an OEM TPMS installed prior to entry, the only acceptable proof would be an invoice from a franchised dealership or authorized repair facility of the original manufacturer showing that an OEM TPMS has been installed, along with a photograph of the vehicle's dash showing the TPMS telltales illuminated.

Since publishing RI Newsletter No. 50, we have been notified by one manufacturer, General Motors, that certain revisions needed to be made in the list of GM-manufactured vehicles that appears in both Appendix A and in Appendix B. For Appendix A, the revisions included deleting the 2008 and 2009 Chevrolet Impala, the 2008 Chevrolet Malibu, the 2010 Pontiac G5/Pursuit, the 2008 Pontiac Solstice, and the 2013 Hyundai Vera Cruz and changing the make of the Pontiac Sky to the Saturn Sky. For Appendix B, the revisions included adding the 2013 Buick Encore, the 2009 Chevrolet Impala, and the 2010 Pontiac G5/Pursuit, deleting the 2009 Pontiac Vibe, and noting that TPMS was provided as standard equipment on the 2010-2013 Chevrolet Equinox LTZ, the 2012-2014 Chevrolet Orlando LTZ, and the 2012-2014 Chevrolet Sonic LTZ and RS.

Attached are revised versions of Appendix A and Appendix B, incorporating all corrections identified by GM.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Johnny Gibson at (202) 366-1672.

## Appendix A: Canadian-Certified Vehicles Not Originally Manufactured with FMVSS No. 138-Compliant TPMS

<b>MAKE</b>	<b>MODEL</b>	<b>MODEL YEAR</b>
Acura	ILX	2013-2014
Acura	ILX HYBRID	2013-2014
Audi	A3	2008-2013
Audi	A4/S4/RS4 Convertible	2009
Audi	A6/S6/RS6	2009-2010
Chevrolet	Aveo	2008-2011
Chevrolet	Trax	2013-2015 (up to 11/23/14)
Honda	CIVIC COUPE	2008-2014
Honda	CIVIC SEDAN	2008-2014
Honda	CIVIC HYBRID	2008-2014
Honda	FIT	2008-2014
Honda	CR-Z	2011-2014
Honda	INSIGHT	2010-2014
Hyundai	Accent	2008-2015
Hyundai	Azera	2008-2015
Hyundai	Elentra	2008-2015
Hyundai	Genesis	2008-2015
Hyundai	Santa Fe	2008-2015
Hyundai	Sonata	2008-2015
Hyundai	Tiburon	2008
Hyundai	Tuscon	2008-2015
Hyundai	Veloster	2012-2015
Hyundai	Vera Cruz	2008-2012
Kia	Amanti	2008-2009
Kia	Entourage	2011
Kia	Forte	2010-2015
Kia	K900	2015
Kia	Optima	2008-2015
Kia	Rio	2008-2015
Kia	Rondo	2008-2011
Kia	Sedona	2009-2014
Kia	Sorento	2008, 2009, 2011-2015
Kia	Soul	2010-2015
Kia	Spectra	2008-2009

<b>MAKE</b>	<b>MODEL</b>	<b>MODEL YEAR</b>
Kia	Sportage	2008-2015
Kia	Quoris	2014
Mazda	Mazda 2	2011--2014
Mazda	Mazda 3	2008-2014
Mazda	Mazda 5	2008-2011, 2013-2104
Mazda	Mazda 6	2008
Mazda	CX-7	2008-2012
Mazda	CX-9	2008-2014
Mazda	RX-8	2008-2011
Mazda	MX-5	2008-2014
Mazda	Tribute	2008-2011
Mercedes-Benz	C Class	2008-2014
Mercedes-Benz	CL	2008-2014
Mercedes-Benz	CLA	2014
Mercedes-Benz	CLS	2012-2014
Mercedes-Benz	B Class E- Cell	2014
Mercedes-Benz	E Class	2008-2014
Mercedes-Benz	F-Cell	2011
Mercedes-Benz	G55 AMG	2008-2011
Mercedes-Benz	G Class	2008-2014
Mercedes-Benz	GL	2008-2014
Mercedes-Benz	GLK	2012-2014
Mercedes-Benz	M Class	2008-2011
Mercedes-Benz	Maybach	2008-2012
Mercedes-Benz	ML	2012-2014
Mercedes-Benz	R320	2008-2009
Mercedes-Benz	R350	2008-2012
Mercedes-Benz	S Class	2008-2013
Mercedes-Benz	SL	2011-2014
Mercedes-Benz	SLK	2008-2014
Mercedes-Benz	SLS	2011-2014
Mercedes-Benz	Smart for Two	2009-2014
Mercedes-Benz	Sprinter	2013-2014
Mitsubishi	Mirage	2014
Nissan	Sentra	2008-2014
Nissan	Versa	2008-2014
Pontiac	G3/Wave	2008-2010
Pontiac	Vibe	2008
Pontiac	Sky	2008
Scion	iC	2011-2014

<b>MAKE</b>	<b>MODEL</b>	<b>MODEL YEAR</b>
Subaru	BRZ	2013-2014
Subaru	Forester	2008-2014
Subaru	Impreza	2008-2014
Subaru	Legacy	2008-2014
Subaru	Outback	2008-2014
Subaru	XV Crosstrek	2013-2014
Toyota	Yaris	2008-2014
Toyota	Camry	2008-2014
Toyota	Corolla	2012-2013
Toyota	RAV4	2008-2014
Volkswagen	Jetta 5	2008--2011
Volkswagen	Jetta 6	2011-2015
Volkswagen	Jetta 5/6 Sportswagon	2008-2014
Volkswagen	Golf 5	2008-2010
Volkswagen	Golf 6	2010-2014
Volkswagen	Beetle (PQ34)	2008-2011
Volkswagen	Beetle (PQ35)	2012-2015
Volkswagen	Eos	2008-2015
Volkswagen	CC	2008-2015
Volkswagen	Passat	2011--2013
Volkswagen	Tiguan	2008-2014
Volkswagen	Touareg	2008-2015

## Appendix B: Canadian-Certified Vehicles on which FMVSS No. 138-Compliant TPMS was available as Optional Equipment

<b>MAKE</b>	<b>MODEL</b>	<b>MODEL YEAR</b>
Audi	A3	2015
Audi	A4/S4/RS4	2008-2015
Audi	A4/S4/RS4 Convertible	2008
Audi	A5/S5/RS5	2009-2015
Audi	Q5	2013-2015
Audi	A6/S6/RS6	2008, 2011
Audi	A8/S8	2008-2010
Buick	Encore	2013-2015
Chevrolet	Cobalt	2008-2010
Chevrolet	Cruze	2011-2014
Chevrolet	Equinox	2010-2013 (standard on LTZ)
Chevrolet	HHR	2008-2011
Chevrolet	Impala	2009-2013
Chevrolet	Malibu	2009-2013
Chevrolet	Optra	2008
Chevrolet	Orlando LT	2012-2014(standard on LTZ)
Chevrolet	Sonic	2012-2014(standard on LTZ & RS)
GMC	Terrain	2010-2014
Pontiac	G5/Pursuit	2008-2010
Pontiac	G6	2009
Pontiac	Vibe	2009-2010
Saturn	Aura	2009
Toyota	Corolla	2009-2011, 2014
Toyota	Matrix	2008-2014