

Comment from Mel Thompson

We are Retired Canadian Snowbirds living for 5 months in a 55+ Community. My Wife & I were involved in an accident in Florida We were stopped at a traffic light waiting to make a turn and two vehicles collided, with one of them bouncing into my 2002 Chevy Silverado. The result was good in that no-one was seriously injured, in fact no air bags went off, but my truck was too damaged to be repaired.

I did not have the ability to go back to Canada to start looking for trucks just before Christmas, so I purchased a 2008 Chev Silverado here in Clearwater. I purchased it "as is" knowing that I could look after most mechanical issues that would arise. The private car lot where we purchased it was not obligated to inform us of the recall.

This recall is devastating to us!! As Canadians we had to purchase the vehicle and pay the Florida Tax and title transfer. To insure it we had to obtain Florida Drivers Licences and Insurance. It is now plated and insured and legal to drive in the USA, but to bring this truck into Canada, we will need a Vehicle Recall Clearance Letter. We will not be able to drive this truck in Canada until this recall is complete.

We will also be required to pay 13% tax on the vehicle just to bring it into our driveway, even though we face the possibility of never being allowed to drive it in Canada. (There is no recall on these trucks originally registered in Canada!).

As seniors on a pension, We cannot afford to have this vehicle parked in our driveway and not be allowed to register it in Canada.

This is a terrible position that the NHTSA and General Motors are placing us in even without considering the danger or lack thereof that we may or may not be facing!!

As it sits I am unable to purchase any affordable Truck from General Motors while in the USA.

I am guessing that we will need to go to social media to help with this problem. I have almost 5000 Facebook friends that will become involved sharing with their friends. I ask that all of you do the same!!