



# Service Bulletin

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## TECHNICAL

**Subject:** Premature Aluminum Panel Hood Corrosion/Blistering (Refinish)

**Models:** 2000-2003 Buick LeSabre  
2002-2006 Buick Rendezvous  
2000-2005 Cadillac DeVille  
2003-2007 Cadillac CTS  
2004-2006 Cadillac SRX  
2005-2006 Cadillac STS  
2006 Cadillac DTS  
1997-2005 Chevrolet Trans Sport (Export Only), Venture  
1997-2003 Oldsmobile Silhouette  
2001-2003 Oldsmobile Aurora  
1997-1998 Pontiac Trans Sport  
1997-2005 Pontiac Montana  
2000-2003 Pontiac Bonneville

This bulletin is being revised to update the affected model years. Please discard Corporate Bulletin Number 01-08-51-004E (Section 08 – Body and Accessories).

### Condition

Some vehicles may have the appearance of blistering or bubbling paint on the top of the hood or under the hood edges and hem flanges.

### Correction

**Important:** Always follow your paint manufacturer's instructions for specific product usage.

1. Remove the hood from the vehicle.
2. Wash the complete hood with soap and water.
3. Wash the hood with wax and grease remover.
4. Inspect the hood for paint blistering (top of the hood and under the hood edges and hem flanges).

**Important:** Because the hood is made of aluminum only, use clean discs so that the aluminum surface of the hood will not become contaminated with foreign particles.

5. Clean blister areas by spot media blast or a tool such as a \*3M™ Scotch-Brite™ Roloc Clean and Strip Disc, P/N 07466, or equivalent.

6. Feather edge and clean.
7. Prime the affected area, seal the complete panel perimeter hem flange using \*3M™ Ultrapro™ MSP Seam Sealer, P/N 08370.
8. Refer to your GM 4901M Approved Refinish Materials booklet under the heading of Rigid Substrates (Steel and Aluminum) for product selection.

The information for the latest GM Approved Refinish Materials booklet is ONLY online at the GM Goodwrench website. Printed books have been discontinued. Follow these steps to access the site:

- Go to [www.gmgoodwrench.com](http://www.gmgoodwrench.com).
- Click on GM Collision Parts.
- Click on GM Technical Repair Information.
- Click on Paint Shop.

\*This product is currently available from 3M. To obtain information for your local retail location please call 3M at 1-800-364-3577.

**Warranty Information**

For vehicles repaired under warranty, use:

Labor Operation	Description	Labor Time	Material Allowance
A0357	Hood Refinish/ Clear Coat	Use Published Labor Operation Time	GN
A9080	Panel, Hood – Repair		—
Add:	Paint Mixing Time	0.4 hr	—

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