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## **GM Quadrasteer Pick-Up Truck**

Additional testing has been performed with the new General Motors quadrasteer pick-up truck. The principal of quadrasteer is when turning, the rear wheels turn in the opposite direction as the front wheels turn at low speeds and the same direction at higher speeds.

General Motors engineers and ICA representatives met at the Pro Car Wash in Troy, Michigan. Several passes of the truck through the car wash were performed with no damage or clearance issues noted, nor did it attempt to "jump the track."

However, the following precautions should be noted:

### **Full Service Wash**

- Because the vehicle tends to dog track as it enters the wash with the transmission in drive, a minimum conveyor width of 13 inches is recommended. When the vehicle is placed in "neutral," the vehicle runs straight.
- A minimum clearance width of 82 inches is mandatory due to the flared rear fenders, which provides rear wheel clearance. Automatic Roll-over Wash
- A minimum clearance width of 82 inches, same as the full service wash.
- A floor clearance of 82 inches between guide rails is also required.

Although the quadrasteer truck may seem unique when first driven, the bottom line is that it can "turn on a dime." It will be introduced in the fall of this year.

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