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Kristine is a Sr. Design Release Engineer in Side Closures at General Motors. Currently she is the Body GA Issue Resolution Team Co-Chair for two China Crossover programs responsible for tracking all open issues for all Body Engineering parts in General Assembly during prototype builds. Previously, she was the Door in White Lead for one of the China crossover programs and the Quality, Reliability, and Durability Lead for all crossover and performance vehicle door systems.

Prior to joining General Motors in 2016, she worked for over 9 years in the nuclear power industry as a Structural Engineer at AREVA Inc. Kristine supported a wide variety of projects including concrete mix design, post-tensioned concrete analysis, steel design, finite element analysis, component thermal gradient analysis, and other plant modifications. She has also spent time at nuclear plants supporting construction projects including steam generator replacement and concrete containment repair. During her time at AREVA Inc., Kristine worked in Naperville, IL, Charlotte, NC, and Fort Worth, TX with site deployments in Florida and Louisiana.

Kristine is a licensed engineer in the state of Texas, holds a BSCE from Valparaiso University, an MSCE from Marquette University, and an MBA in Engineering Management from Valparaiso University. She currently serves as the Chair of the Finance Committee for the Society of Women Engineers leading reviews of the \$11M Operating and Conference budgets and a variety of sub-teams that support section finance activities. She is also a member of the Strategic Planning Team which was tasked with reviewing the Society's new 3 year plan to begin in FY19. Previous roles include President, VP of Membership, and Treasurer of the Chicago Region SWE Section, Collegiate Leadership Coach in Regions H, D, and C, and Region H Collegiate Representative. Kristine began her involvement in SWE in 2001 at Valparaiso University where she served as Secretary and President.

Kristine lives in Rochester, MI with her husband of 12 years, Aaron, and 2 children, Garret (6 years) and Miranda (3 years). Outside of work and SWE she enjoys spending time with her family and friends, reading sci-fi, gaming (table-top, RPG, and video), and swim/bike/running the occasional triathlon.