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To: NHTSA Headquarters
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Sir/Ma'am

I respectfully request several pieces of information regarding one of Ford's products, a
Satin Green 1998 Ford Taurus 4 Dr, VIN 1FAPP52S9W [REDACTED]

1. Does the vehicle in question contain an EDR, EDS, or other "little black box" that would record relevant "accident/crash" information such as: speed, braking, steering, etc for a period before the "accident/crash"?
2. What bits of information does it pick up and for what duration before the accident?
3. How is this information retrieved? And where can it be done at?
4. Can the computer storing this information be reset or cleared in some manner?
5. How can I tell if the computer in question is the original in that vehicle?
6. What is the acceleration rate of the vehicle? From a standing stop.
7. What is its stopping distance?
8. Data as to the degree of expected damage to the drivers side door at various speed of impact from another vehicle.
9. Are Police/Law Enforcement or other Traffic Accident Investigators trained in the recovery of this information?
10. Does NHTSA put out any training or information in regards to the collection of

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"little black box" data?

11. Who's data is it, vehicle owner, car manufacturer, NHTSA, or someone else's?

Thank you very much. If you have any questions please feel free to call me anytime on my cell phone at [REDACTED] Thank you very much for taking the time to answer my questions.

Sincerely,

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