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**National Highway
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Daphne, AL

Dear

Thank you for your correspondence dated April 10, 2006, concerning your model year (MY) 1990 Ford Focus LX vehicle. Your correspondence was received by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation on April 19, 2006.

NHTSA is the Federal agency responsible for improving safety on our Nation's highways. We are authorized to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain serious safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. We also monitor the adequacy of manufacturers' recall campaigns. In order for the agency to initiate an investigation, we look carefully at the body of consumer complaints and other available data to determine whether a defect may exist. We cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

Our records indicated that there were no 1990 Ford Focus vehicles produced by the Ford Motor Company. The first Ford Focus vehicles were built in 2000. Please check the VIN of your vehicle to determine the model year of your Ford Focus. The 10th character indicates the year built (see enclosed table VI of Federal Regulation 565.6).

You can contact our toll-free NHTSA Vehicle Safety Hotline (Hotline) at 1-888-327-4236. One of our representatives may be able to assist you on matters concerning motor vehicle and motor vehicle equipment safety recalls or to report an alleged safety problem. You can also request safety information. If our telephones are busy, or you call during non-working hours, you can leave your name, telephone number, and a brief subject on our recording system. A Hotline representative will return your call.



DOT AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE
888-DASH-2-DOT
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Additionally, we have an Internet Web site at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov> that you may want to visit. An electronic VOQ is also available on this Web site at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/ivoq>. This form is for vehicle owners to report safety related problems about their motor vehicles or motor vehicle equipment, e.g., child safety seats, jacks, tires, brake fluid, etc. The reports submitted are transferred to our database and are used to identify safety-related defect trends that require our attention. If you do not have access to the Internet, please use the enclosed VOQ to inform this agency of any future motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment safety problems you may experience. Also, a summary listing of vehicle owners' complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc., can be obtained at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems>.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure