



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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Westerville, OH [REDACTED]

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Ref. # 10205836

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your correspondence dated March 7, 2008, concerning your model year (MY) 2006 Grand Marquis vehicle. Your correspondence was received by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation (ODI) on June 11, 2008.


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 safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. 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.

We appreciate this report and the previous report you filed with Department of Transportation's Vehicle Safety Hotline on October 16, 2007. Information submitted by vehicle owners is automatically entered into our complaint database; the data is then reviewed and analyzed by ODI's investigators to determine whether an investigation is warranted. Due to the volume of reports received and limited agency resources, NHTSA cannot respond to vehicle owners. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused you. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us.

A review of our database relative to problems associated with the misapplication of the brake and accelerator pedal in MY 2006 Mercury Grand Marquis vehicles revealed insufficient evidence to warrant opening a safety defect investigation at this time. The information you provided has been entered into our database and will be considered with future reports to identify any safety defect trends that may require our attention.

Should you encounter a safety-related problem with a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment in the future, you can complete an electronic Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire online at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/ivoq>. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank S. Borris II". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "F" and "B".

Frank S. Borris II, Acting Chief  
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