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Subject: EMAIL FROM [REDACTED] (VT) REQUESTING THAT NHTSA INVESTIGATE THE JEEP WRANGLERS IN REFERENCE TO A PROBLEM CALLED THE "JEEP DEATH WOBBLE" CAUSED BY A DEFECTIVE STEERING DAMPENER; REPLY ATTN: ELIZABETH MILLER/BURLINGTON OFC; DOT/I# 2008-8189

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400 Seventh Street, SW, Room 10408
Washington, DC 20590**FAX NUMBER:** 202-366-3675**EKM****FROM:** Elizabeth K. Miller, Constituent Advocate, Office of Senator Bernard Sanders**PHONE:** (802) 862-0697 (phone) (802) 860-6370 (fax)**MESSAGE:**

Senator Sanders has asked me to send you a copy of the enclosed email from his constituent [REDACTED] [REDACTED] has requested Senator Sanders' assistance concerning a matter involving the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

[REDACTED] has informed our office that there have been numerous complaints filed with NHTSA regarding Jeep Wranglers. She reported that the "Jeep Death Wobble" can cause a driver to lose control of the Jeep at speeds over 50 mph. We bring your attention to the enclosed email from [REDACTED] that specifically details her concerns.

We respectfully request that you look into this matter at your earliest convenience and that you give [REDACTED]'s concerns full and fair consideration consistent with applicable law and regulations. We also ask that you keep our office apprised of your disposition in this matter.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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<MSG>I am asking for someone to get involved with a series of complaints with the NHTSA regarding Jeep Wranglers. There is 88 filed complaints in reference to a problem being called the "Jeep Death Wobble", mine included. The local dealership found that the steering dampener needs replacing on my jeep, but the part is back ordered and there is 2000 people on the list already for the back ordered part. This alone indicates that there is a serious problem, but there is no current investigation by the NHTSA regarding these complaints according to their site search. The problem can cause you to completely lose control of your Jeep at speeds over 50 mph. These parts are also not part of the power train warranty that Chrysler extended to 70,000. They are part of the 36,000 mile basic warranty. Mine is up in 30 days and from the other complaints I have read, after replacing this back ordered part, there are 2 additional steering components that I can expect to fail! Also if you Google Jeep Death Wobble you can see the huge number of people who haven't filed formal complaints with the NHTSA but who have the problem. This is a serious safety issue that isn't being addressed by Chrysler. Please help if you can. Jeeps are American vehicles and very popular in Vermont. Thank you so much. -

[REDACTED]MSG>
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