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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Ref. # 10238436

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your correspondence dated August 15, 2008, concerning your model year (MY) 2007 Hyundai Sonata vehicle. Your correspondence was received by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation on August 21, 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 serious safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. However, we cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

We appreciate the report you provided. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. Each report is analyzed and entered into a database to determine whether an investigation into a possible safety defect or safety defect recall adequacy is warranted.

We have reviewed our database in an effort to identify whether a safety defect trend exists with regard to the air bag non-deployment you experienced in two separate crashes in MY 2007 Hyundai Sonata vehicles. At this time, there is insufficient evidence to warrant opening a safety defect investigation. The information you provided has been entered into our database. It will be considered with future reports to identify any safety defect trends that may require our attention.



A search of our database has revealed that there are two safety-related defect recalls on MY 2007 Hyundai Sonata that may be of interest to you. We have enclosed copies of the recall summaries for your information. Please contact your local dealership or manufacturer for further details and have your make, model, model year, and vehicle identification number available for their information.

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, reading "Frank S. Borris II". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "F" and a stylized "B".

Frank S. Borris II, Acting Chief
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Enclosures