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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE.
Washington, DC 20590

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Ref. # 10260148

Dear 

Thank you for your e-mail concerning your model year (MY) 1994 Pontiac Grand Am vehicle. Your e-mail was received by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation on February 26, 2009.

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. However, we cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

We appreciate the report you provided. Reports from consumers are an important source of information for us. A search of NHTSA's database revealed a safety recall campaign for Harbor Freight Fuses (No.07E059, summary enclosed) that may be of interest to you. The fuses that are the subject of the recall may contain inconsistencies in construction or materials that resulting in a greater current capacity than indicated. In the event of a short circuit, the fuse may not open resulting in a fire. As mentioned earlier, your request for financial assistance does not fall under our jurisdiction. If you have not done so, you may consider acquiring private legal representation.

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, prominent "F" and "S".

Frank S. Borris II, Acting Chief
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