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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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The Honorable Bob Corker
United States Senator
Ed Jones Federal Building
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Jackson, TN 38301

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Ref. No. 10291636

Dear Senator Corker:

I appreciate you contacting the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) on behalf of your constituent, [REDACTED] concerning his model year (MY) 2005 Chevrolet Trailblazer vehicle. This is a follow up to our previous correspondence sent to you on December 9, 2010.

On April 25, NHTSA's Office of Defects Investigation opened an investigation, preliminary evaluation No. 11-014 (resume enclosed), into the performance and reliability of fuel tank level sensors in MY 2005 Chevrolet Trailblazers. A defect petition from [REDACTED] and other consumer complaints led to the opening of this investigation. Consumers reported incidents of inaccurate and random fuel level readings while driving. This resulted in vehicles running out of fuel and stalling with no restart.

Thank you for sharing [REDACTED] report of this issue. This investigation is ongoing and no determinations have been made at this time. Should you have additional questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 366-1836.

Sincerely yours,

Chan D. Lieu
Director, Governmental Affairs,
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Enclosure

cc: Washington Office



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