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Via Certified U.S. Mail No. 7012 3050 0000 1961 3628, Regular U.S. Mail and facsimile (1.310.468.7800)

Re: Toyota Prius V Model Year 2013 VIN# JTDZN3EU0D3 [Redacted] - Takata, Corp. air bag product recall

Mr. Lentz;

I am writing to request clarification about the air bags in my 2013 Prius V (Vin # JTDZN3EU0D3 [Redacted]). My concern is informed by recent news reports about a recall involving defective air bag inflaters manufactured by Takata Corp. that have ruptured resulting in serious injuries and fatalities of vehicle occupants in addition to reports that Senators Blumenthal and Markey have expressed concern about the implications of regional limits for the recall effort.

After purchasing the car I learned of the Los Angeles Times investigation into the collisions, injuries and fatalities caused by unintentional acceleration of Toyota vehicles and the subsequent deferred-prosecution settlement reached with the U.S. Department of Justice that revealed that Toyota intentionally deceived regulators, Congress and consumers. The revelation that Toyota intentionally concealed information regarding product defects and limited the scope of its remedial efforts resulting in avoidable injuries and fatalities is deeply disturbing. While Toyota has pledged to change its business practices, the maxim 'trust but verify' is clearly indicated in this instance.

I share Senators Blumenthal and Markey's concern that regional recall limitations will not adequately mitigate the intrinsic risk. I live on Long Island and can find relief from our summertime humidity in south Florida. Regional recall limits necessarily presume that owners of vehicles in 'non-affected' regions will not relocate or sell their vehicles to others who could live in or move to 'affected' regions. It smacks more of a degree of willful ignorance or calculated disregard than of a higher standard of care.

I am grateful for the efforts of Senators Blumenthal and Markey and applaud the principled demand for transparency by U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara. Please let me know at the earliest opportunity whether my vehicle contains any of the Takata Corp. products that are the subject of the recent air bag recall, and if so, where I should take my vehicle for repair.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation in this matter,

[Redacted Signature]

- cc: The Honorable Charles E. Schumer, U.S. Senator - New York
- The Honorable Kirsten Gillibrand, U.S. Senator - New York
- The Honorable Richard Blumenthal, U.S. Senator - Connecticut
- The Honorable Edward Markey, U.S. Senator - Massachusetts
- The Honorable Preet Bharara, United States Attorney - Southern District New York
- Sara Feinberg, Chief of Staff - U.S. Dept. of Transportation
- David J. Friedman, Deputy Administrator - U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration



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