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Customer Service

I am writing this letter today to advise yo u of several hazards with the 2017 Hyundai Elantra.

We have experienced the following problem. We live in a rural area where is occurs often. Behind the motor we noticed a large opening which is visable where in the fall or spring time leaves fall from the trees and blow underneath the cars causing friction between the leaves and a hot engine. This can cause the leaves to ignite and start a fire underneath. We suggest a baffle plate should be installed to prevent the leaves from blowing up into the engine causing a possible fire. In my opinion this problem would prevent any problems When these leaves are wet it is no problem, but when they are dry this is where serious fires can occur. A simple plate could prevent this from happening. It is necessary that you look into this matter and advise us if a solution will happen.

Another problem I have expenicence is when traveling in the rain your brakes are hot and able to perform when needed. But as we noticed after parking your car overnight after it has rained in the moring before traveling you must perform a test of your brakes to make sure they are dry enough to perform their job properly. We must test our brakes carefully before we take off. If these brakes are still wet after all night of raining the rotors and pads need to dry a little before they can perform their job. This should a automatic and the drivers should not have to perform this task or worry about the brakes not working.

I hope you can advise us of these 2 problems as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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