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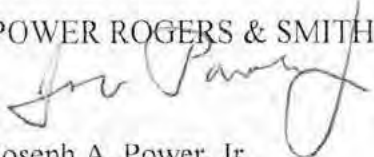
Re: Tracking Number 11139267

To whom it may concern,

This is in follow up to an earlier complaint submitted by my office to the United States Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration on October 9, 2018. Upon submission of the aforementioned complaint, U.S. DOT NHTSA assigned Tracking Number 11139267. This letter is to inform you that on November 16, 2018, a jury in Cook County, Illinois, found that the grab handle fastening system at issue contained a design defect, and that that design defect caused and/or contributed to the injuries my client suffered when the grab handle on his 1999 Navistar International 9400 6x4 broke free from the vehicle. In addition to the jury's verdict form, I have enclosed the testimony of our engineering expert, Dr. Anand Kasbekar, for your review. It is our belief that this matter requires your urgent attention as testimony at trial revealed that there are over 20,000 similar vehicle according to Navistar on the road that were manufactured with this same design flaw, and our research has identified at least four other individuals who have suffered injuries as a result of this issue.

Very truly yours,

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