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Hutsonville, IL [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

NEF-109 tgd  
Ref. No. 11191168

Thank you for your correspondence concerning your model year (MY) 2013 Lincoln MKS. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation received your correspondence. We regret any inconvenience our delay in responding may have caused you.

NHTSA is the Federal agency responsible for improving safety on our Nation's roadways. We are authorized to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. We also monitor the completion rates and adequacy of manufacturers' recall campaigns.

We appreciate the report you provided. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. As standard procedure, we reviewed our database in an effort to identify whether a safety defect trend exists with regard to fuel pump driver module problems in MY 2013 Lincoln MKS vehicles. At this time, there is insufficient evidence to indicate a defect trend that warrants opening a safety defect investigation or initiate a recall. The information you provided has been entered into our database. It will be considered with future reports to identify any safety defect trends that may require our attention. For your information, an explanation of NHTSA's investigation and recall process is on our website at [www.nhtsa.gov/sites/nhtsa.dot.gov/files/documents/mvdefectsandrecalls\\_808795.pdf](http://www.nhtsa.gov/sites/nhtsa.dot.gov/files/documents/mvdefectsandrecalls_808795.pdf).

Please note that NHTSA has no authority over reimbursements for warranty repairs. Based on your model year (2013) and mileage at the time the repair (58,655 miles) your MKS exceeded the new vehicle limited warranty of 4 years /50,000 miles, whichever comes first. However, if you purchased a Ford or aftermarket extended warranty service contract you may have coverage for this repair. We recommend that you contact Ford or the service contract company for more information.

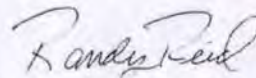
If you require further assistance, you may consider contacting your local Consumer Protection Agency or the Illinois Attorney General's Office regarding your problem and rights under the

state laws. You may also ask your dealership for a meeting with a Ford district manager regarding your problem. In addition, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has jurisdiction over non-safety defects, paint, fraud or deception, warranty and dealership problems, remuneration matters, and fair trade practices. There are three ways to contact the FTC: by toll free telephone at 877-382-4357; by mail at Federal Trade Commission, CRC-240, Washington, DC 20580; and by using the Internet complaint form at [www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov](http://www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov).

You may also consider contacting the Better Business Bureau (BBB) Auto Line. The BBB offers free mediation/arbitration to resolve warranty disputes under guidelines established by the FTC. Remedies include repair, reimbursement, repurchase or replacement, depending on program eligibility. You can visit their website at [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org) to file a complaint and review eligibility information, or call the BBB Auto Line at (800) 955-5100.

Should you encounter a safety-related problem with a motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment in the future, we would appreciate it if you would complete an electronic Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire online at [www.nhtsa.gov](http://www.nhtsa.gov) or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236. Also, a summary listing of vehicle owners' complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc. can be obtained at our website.

Sincerely,



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