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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. Richard Boyd, Chief
Medium and Heavy Vehicle Division
Office of Defects Investigation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20590

Re: NSA-21460
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INVESTIGATION

Dear Mr. Boyd:

The undersigned represents Triumph Motorcycles, Ltd. and Triumph Motorcycles America, Ltd. ("Triumph"). In response to NHTSA's request for information dated November 21, 2003 as identified above, and in accordance with my telephone conversations with you concerning Triumph producing a partial response to NHTSA's inquiry by January 9, 2004 and a complete response by February 23, 2004, I attach our partial response on behalf of Triumph. Each item and its response are attached as a separate document. Triumph has attempted to respond to each item as completely as possible and in the format requested.

Triumph is requesting confidentiality for Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12 due to the confidential and proprietary nature of such data. Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 512 we have submitted our request for confidentiality to the Office of Chief Counsel. The relevant confidential portions of our responses to Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12 have been deleted from this response until ruled upon by the Office of Chief Counsel.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ, EDELMAN & DICKER LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bruce Ainbinder', with a stylized, cursive flourish.

Bruce Ainbinder

Enclosures