

Automotive Selety Office Environmental and Selety Engineering

May 13, 2005

Ms. Kathleen C. DeMeter, Director
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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Ms. DeMeter.

Subject: EA04-006:NVS-213bby

Two copies of documents for which Ford Motor Company (Ford) is withdrawing its June 29, 2004 request for confidential treatment are attached.

As you know, following numerous discussions with agency personnel concerning the confidentiality request processes used by Ford and the agency, Ford has revised its processes to facilitate the agency's review of confidentiality requests. Therefore, Ford decided to re-examine and categorize the documents submitted with its June 29, 2004 request for confidentiality in accordance with the revised processes. On May 13, 2005, Ford submitted an amended request for confidential treatment covering a subset of those documents for which it originally requested confidentiality. Two copies of the documents for which Ford is not requesting confidential treatment are resubmitted, with this letter, as a supplement to Appendix J of its June 29, 2004 response. These documents are being resubmitted without a request for confidentiality in response to Request 19.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Director

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