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RE: Confidentiality Request/PE05-050 (NVS-213slr)

Dear Mr. Shapiro:

This responds to your January 9, 2006, letter requesting confidential treatment for the submission by Volvo Cars of North America, LLC (Volvo) involving the XC90 vehicle. Specifically, you request confidential treatment for the pages marked "Confidential". Volvo requests confidential treatment for an indefinite period of time.

Your letter and accompanying certificate indicate that the information provided is confidential and proprietary data that Volvo does not and has not released this information to the public.

I have decided to grant confidential treatment for these materials. Your submission satisfies the applicable standard under Exemption 4 of the Freedom of Information Act and 49 CFR Part 512 App. B (1).

Subject to the conditions below, this grant of confidential treatment will remain in effect indefinitely. The information may be disclosed under 49 CFR § 512.22 based upon newly discovered or changed facts, and you must inform the agency of any changed circumstances that may affect the protection of the information (49 CFR § 512.10). If necessary, you will be notified prior to the release of any information under the procedures established by our regulations (49 CFR § 512.22(b)).

Sincerely,

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Senior Attorney

