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Mr. Patrick Culkeen
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Re: PE05-038

Dear Mr. Culkeen:

Enclosed is a DVD documenting an interview I videoed with VOQ 10128903, owner of a 2004 Mustang Cobra. Between the owner and her boyfriend they experienced three separate episodes of the accelerator pedal becoming stuck in the floor carpet. The entire interview is at the end of the presentation, the first part is the section is an excerpt showing how the pedal becomes entangled. This was unrehearsed and I had not touched or adjusted the carpet in any way prior to the gentleman hopping in and stepping on the pedal.

Also included is a CD with some e-mail photos from a few VOQs that I had asked for so that you could see some more examples. The photos are accompanied by the owner's explanation of what they think is causing the problem.

I will be out of the office this Friday and next week. If you have any questions you can contact Mr. Jeff Quandt, Division Chief at (202) 366 5207.

Sincerely,

Stephen McHenry, Safety Defects Engineer
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