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December 6, 2005

Mr. Jeffrey L. Quandt
Chief, Vehicle Control Division
Office of Defects Investigation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Quandt:

On November 29, 2005, DaimlerChrysler Corporation (DCC) received your information request dated November 22, 2005, regarding a Preliminary Evaluation (PE05-056) affecting MY 2004 and 2005 Dodge Durango and MY 2005 Dodge Dakota vehicles. Based upon a review of the information requested, noting that all DCC offices will be closed between December 24, 2005 and January 3, 2006, and the fact that DCC received the request via mail one week after its signature date, with no advance copy received by facsimile, DCC will be unable to meet the requested submission date of January 6, 2006. By this letter DCC is requesting an extension of two weeks, which would allow for submission of the completed request on January 20, 2006. Your prompt consideration of this request is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Stephan J. Speth