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Subject: PE07-062 - Jeep Liberty peer review of Honda CR-V

Hello Mr. McHenry,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me earlier today. As we discussed, the front suspension of the Honda CR-V is a fully independent design that utilizes front MacPherson struts. While this design incorporates a lower ball joint on each suspension knuckle, the upper portion of each knuckle is attached to the suspension strut, and ultimately is suspended by the upper strut mounting. As a result, this design does not use upper ball joints.

Since you indicated that this suspension design is not comparable to the Jeep Liberty and it is not necessary for us to respond to this inquiry, we are following your suggestion and opting not to respond to this peer review.

Thank you again for your understanding, and please let us know if we can be of assistance in any other manner.

Best regards,

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