Gay P. Kent, Director Product Investigations and Safety Regulations General Motors LLC Mail Code: 480 210 G11 30001 Van Dyke Road Warren, MI 48090

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Re:

Confidentiality Determination/PE09-044, MY 2007 and 2008 Chevrolet Tahoe

and GMC Yukon Door Handle Presentation

Dear Ms. Kent:

This responds to your March 11, 2010 request for confidential treatment for General Motors LLC (GM) presentation material voluntarily submitted at the request of D. Scott Yon of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Office of Defects Investigation. This information is contained on a single CD-ROM disk entitled "GM, GM Product Investigations, N090239 PE09-044, ATTACHMENT 2 CD, "ATT\_2\_GM\_CONF", Reply Date: 03/11/2010." Specifically, GM requests confidential treatment for page 13 of its presentation stamped "Entire Page GM Confidential Business Information" regarding all model year (MY) 2007-2008 Chevrolet Tahoe and GMC Yukon vehicles manufactured for sale or lease in the United States. GM requests that this information be granted confidential treatment without a time limitation.

I have decided to grant your request.

GM provided this information voluntarily and was not required to submit this information under 49 U.S.C. § 30166 or other authority. Accordingly, I have reviewed your request under the principles set forth in *Critical Mass Energy Project v. Nuclear Regulatory Comm'n*, 975 F.2d 871 (D.C. Cir. 1992). Under the test set forth in *Critical Mass*, financial or commercial information provided to the government on a voluntary basis is "confidential" for purposes of Exemption 4 of the Freedom of Information Act if it is the kind of information that would customarily not be released to the public by the submitter. Your letter and certificate indicates that the data contained in your response is data that GM has never released or become available outside GM, except as specified. I am according confidential treatment to page 13 of the presentation information contained in your submission.

Subject to the conditions below, this grant of confidential treatment will remain in effect indefinitely.

This grant of confidential treatment is subject to certain conditions. 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,

## **Original Signed By**

Otto G. Matheke, III Senior Attorney

