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VIA E-Mail (Hard Copy to Follow)

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE, Room W41-227
Washington, DC 20590

Re: CTS Corporation request for extension of time pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 512.11 to complete request for confidentiality

Dear Counsel:

Pursuant to 14 C.F.R. § 512.11, CTS respectfully requests a 10-day extension after submission of the attached response to your agency's information request EQ10-002 to compile the information prescribed in section 512.4. CTS considers substantial portions of its response to be confidential business and commercial information as defined in 49 C.F.R. § 512.3 and 5 U.S.C. § 552(b). Accordingly we seek to invoke the protections 49 C.F.R. Part 512. The items requested include the identities of customers, customer part numbers, dates of shipment, quantities shipped to individual customers and other proprietary information that are competitively sensitive or are protected under confidentiality agreements with our customers. CTS respectfully requests that our submission be accorded confidential treatment pursuant to 14 C.F.R. § 512.20 pending our preparation of a completed request and final determination thereof.

In addition to preparing required documentation, we require additional time to contact our other customers that might be affected. Given that the subject issues are specific to Toyota products only, CTS and its customers (other than Toyota) are concerned that public disclosure of the names of manufacturers and products unaffected by these issues in a list including affected Toyota products could needlessly and irreparably harm consumer confidence in unaffected automobiles and the reputations of these firms.

We respectfully point out that this is CTS' first NHTSA investigation in over approximately 22 years of producing components for the automobile industry. The additional time is essential for us to understand the regulations and procedures applicable during agency investigations and to protect our confidential information and that of our customers.

If you require further information regarding our request for an extension of time under section 512.11, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

CTS Corporation

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