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Ms. Timian,

See attached correspondence re EQ11-001 (Request for List of Purchasers). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

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Via Email and U.S. Mail

Ms. Jennifer T. Timian
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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey, S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Request for List of Purchasers

Dear Ms. Timian:

This letter responds to your February 8, 2011 correspondence to IEE S.A. ("IEE") relating to GM's recall of certain MY 2005-2007 Cadillac CTS vehicles that incorporate a passenger sensing system mat manufactured by IEE ("CTS Sensor Mat"). Specifically, you have requested that IEE provide a list of purchasers or customers of the equipment involved in GM's recall so that those persons are made aware of the recall and are able to determine the need for any similar recall.

The CTS Sensor Mat was developed over a two-year period specifically for the MY 2005-2007 Cadillac CTS and its unique seating design, geometry, vehicle environment and program specifications. IEE developed the CTS Sensor Mat in partnership with GM and Lear Corp. ("Lear"), GM's seating supplier for the Cadillac CTS, to meet the distinctive requirements and specifications for the CTS platform. As a result, the CTS Sensor Mat is not the same or similar to any other sensor mat manufactured by IEE.

Although GM is IEE's ultimate customer for the CTS Sensor Mat, Lear was the purchaser of the CTS Sensor Mat while the Cadillac CTS was in production. Lear purchased the CTS Sensor Mats, incorporated them into the seating assemblies, and sold the seating assemblies to GM. After production, Lear's affiliated entity, Integrated Manufacturing and Assembly, LLC ("IMA"), purchased the Sensor Mats, which were then sold to GM as service parts. It is IEE's

understanding that GM was the only purchaser from Lear and/or IMA of seat assemblies and cushions that incorporated the CTS Sensor Mat.

IEE's responses to your particular questions are as follows:

1. **List of IEE Purchasers that Received the CTS Sensor Mats**

GM was IEE's ultimate customer. However, IEE sold the CTS Sensor Mats to GM indirectly through purchase orders issued from Lear and IMA, as follows:

Purchaser	Quantity Purchased	Inclusive Dates
Lear Corp. Seating Supplier 454 North Street Mason, MI 48854 Contact: Matt Sartorius Materials Analyst MSartorius@lear.com Office: (517) 244 4336 Fax: (517) 244 4191	227,512	11/20/2002 – 09/21/2009
IMA Service Center 6555 E. Davison St. Detroit, MI 48212 Contact: Keith Lotarski KLotarski@lear.com Office: (313) 267-2605 Fax: (313) 267-2602	14,710	10/12/2009 – 02/09/2011

2. **Year, Make, Model and Manufacturer of Vehicles into which Equipment was Installed**

As set forth above, the only vehicles into which these sensor mats were installed are MY 2005-2007 Cadillac CTS vehicles.

Please contact me if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,



Richard W. Paige

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