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EA12-001
TOYOTA
10-3-2012 DISC 3
Attachment-Response 4
Part 1

Case Report - 200610170194

Customer/Caller Summary:

Customer Name/Address:

Caller Phone: Caller Alt. Phone:

Alt. Customer Name:



Case Summary:

Case Title: Case Type:

Product; FCRP; Air Bags- Front; Deploy Accident

Contact Method: Phone Cust Attitude: Concerned Complaint Coding Type: Product Category: Problem Area: FCRP

Air Bags- Front Component: Condition: Deploy

2T1KR32E43C VIN: Dofu: 09/28/2002 Current Miles: 60000 Incident Miles: 60000 2003 Model Year:

Model Name: Matrix Region: SET District: 01

Dealer 1: Armstrong Toy/Homestead, 09201 Selling Dealer: Armstrong Toy/Homestead,

Case History:

Caller Seeks:

buyback

CAC Stated:

NCR adv will dispatch case to reg to set up inspec w/in 3 business days. NCR adv inspec w/in 30 days & response from toy provided w/in 30 days from inspec.

*** PHONE LOG 10/17/2006 08:16:57 AM RVrachan

Caller states: cllr was driving down the road about 30 MPH & airbag deployed on it's own, cllr sts the seatbelt injuried cllr's wife when the airbag deployed. cllr sts insurance covering loaner. cllr sts dlr doesn't know why airbag deployed but cllr adv does not feel safe in this veh. cllr sts his wife won't ever drive this veh again. cllr sts veh is at the dlrship & they don't know what to do, dlr doesn't know why airbag deployed for no reason.

*** SUBCASE 200610170194-1 CREATED 10/17/2006 08:20:08 AM JFonseca

*** NOTES 10/19/2006 07:39:12 AM TBishop

cust clld back & adv has not heard back from anyone yet. ncr apol & adv cust the CM has 2 b/d to rvw case & c/b cust. ncr adv today would be the 2nd b/d. cust req an alt phn# for point of contact clr thanked.

*** NOTES 10/19/2006 08:38:42 AM DHughes

Megan Remaley from USAA Insurance request a c/b @ 813-615-5222 ext # key 4491. Ncr apol and advd case mgr not avail. Nore advd cllr of c/b in 1 bus day

*** NOTES 10/19/2006 02:29:33 PM NTorres ===FCRP===

Caller: sts was traveling northbound on SW 248th on 10/14/06 @ appox 30 MPH. Sts he was driver & wife, was front pass. Sts road was dry & level when he heard a loud bang & the front driver airbag deployed. Sts pass side airbag did not deploy. Sts pulled over & disconnected horn b/c it was blaring. Sts no airbag warning light on prior to airbag deployment. Sts Officer from Homestead Police saw them & pulled over. Sts no police report was...

*** NOTES 10/19/2006 02:29:50 PM NTorres

...was made & occupants did not go to hospital. Sts driver & pass wearing seatbelt & both have bruising. Sts reported incident to insurance & provided insurance w/ CEC contact info. Sts rpr have not been made & veh is currently @ dlr collision center. Sts was in 2 prior accidents. Sts 1x in June 2005 for side collision w/ impact @ rear side panel. Sts 2x in October 2005 in rear collision w/ impact in rear. Sts no longer fls safe in veh & sks new veh. NCR adv will...

*** NOTES 10/19/2006 02:30:04 PM NTorres

...dispatch case to reg to set up inspec w/in 3 business days. NCR adv inspec w/in 30 days & response from toy provided w/in 30 days from inspec. LEGAL REQUESTS FIELD CONTACT REPORT WITH PHOTOS.

*** NOTES 10/19/2006 02:38:01 PM NTorres

OUTGOING CALL

NCR l/m for Meagan Remaley @ $\#800-531-8222 \times 44191$ to c/b for addtl info about Claim # NCR adv case#, NCR bus hrs: 6:00am-2:30pm PST & ext: 73002 for c/b.

@ 800#

*** NOTES 10/19/2006 02:38:07 PM NTorres

OUTGOING DUR CALL

Mike Rodriguez, svc director @ Armstrong Toy/Homestead referred NCR to Jenny @ Armstrong Toy/Homestead Collision Center. NCR confirmed w/ Jenny that the veh has not been altered & is in its original state.

*** SUBCASE 200610170194-1 CLOSED 10/19/2006 02:39:15 PM NTorres subcase closed

*** NOTES 10/20/2006 07:02:09 AM NTorres

INCOMING CALL

Meagan Remaley, Adjuster @ USAA Insurance inq if toy would inspect veh & timeframe for inspection. Sks clarif on loaner from toy. NCR adv will dispatched case on 10/19/06 to reg to set up inspec w/in 3 business days. NCR adv inspec w/in 30 days & response from toy provided w/in 30 days from inspec. NCR adv loaner for cust can be addressed after inspection. NCR adv no loaner will be provided before inspection. Caller understood.

*** NOTES 11/08/2006 07:34:24 AM MDeLaHoz500 FCR report sent to TMS legal, Attn Carole Hargrave.

*** CASE CLOSE 11/08/2006 07:34:34 AM MDeLaHoz500 Region closing case.

*** NOTES 11/10/2006 08:03:03 AM VHurtado

Megan from U.S.A.A insurance cllng to spk w/NTorres. ncr adv cllr cse mngr not avail. cllr req call back at: 813-615-5222 Ext: 44191. cllng on behalf of client.

*** NOTES 11/10/2006 09:21:19 AM NTorres

OUTGOING CALL

NCR 1/m for Meagan Remaley, Adjuster @ U.S.A.A Insurance @ #800-531-8222 x 44191 to c/b for addtl info about Claim # @ 800#. NCR adv case#, NCR bus hrs: 6:00am-2:30pm PST & ext: 73002 for c/b.

*** NOTES 11/14/2006 06:40:59 AM NTorres

INCOMING CUST CALL

Caller: Sts toy has inspected the veh & has not rcvd response. Sts has to turn in his rental tomorrow 11/15/06 & sks response from toy. NCR adv will research & adv will f/u eob today w/ any info obtained.

*** NOTES 11/14/2006 06:43:11 AM NTorres ...sts can be reached @ day phone # or

*** NOTES 11/14/2006 09:53:03 AM NTorres

OUTGOING CLAIMS CALL

Carole Hargrave, Claims @ TMS adv will provide response w/in 30 days from inspection & TMS can address cust requests after toy response provided. NCR adv will forward info to cust.

*** NOTES 11/14/2006 09:56:48 AM NTorres

OUTGOING CUST CALL

NCR adv TMS has rowd inspection info & will provide response 30 days from inspection. Caller understood.

*** NOTES 11/14/2006 10:11:24 AM NTorres

INCOMING CUST CALL

Meagan Remaley, Adjuster @ U.S.A.A Insurance adv needs response from TMS on outcome of inspection. MRemaley adv cust is out of a loaner veh & has injuries. MRemaley sks contact for f/u on outcome of response if needed. NCR adv toy will provide response w/in 30 days from inspection. NCR adv cust of A108 address. Caller understood.

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Homestead, FL

1/29/2007

Attn: Troy H. Higa Claims Administrator direct line: 310-468-5638 direct fax: 310-381-5017

I am responding to your letter dated 29 November 2006 which was emailed to me on 14 December 2006 in regards to the driver side airbag of my 2003 Toyota Matrix that deployed on its own. Your findings based on the information you provided is unfounded and falsely incorrect. My intent to contact Toyota Corporation was the concern of the event that occurred on 14 October 2006 with the airbag deployment in my vehicle and the potential reoccurrence of a faulty sensor deploying an airbag, if not to my vehicle but to another person's Toyota vehicle.

My wife and I were both wearing our seat belts. As the driver my seat belt restrained me from having direct impact with the airbag and pulled me firmly in my seat. We were driving at a very low rate of speed as we approached a traffic light at approximately 25 miles per hour. When the driver side airbag deployed my wife screamed from her seat belt catching her arm and pulling it back. I immediately pull off to the side of the road where people immediately came to our assistance. The day was clear and sunny; the road was perfectly smooth with no obstructions or potholes. After pulling off to the side of the road both my wife and I exited the vehicle and the horn continued to blare until I disconnected my battery cable. I had a camera at the scene and took pictures of the road we drove on showing nothing that would have caused the airbag to deploy. I took pictures of both seat belts that pulled both my wife and I back into our seats, the airbag that deployed, and where I pulled off to the side of the road after the incident.

I immediately contacted USAA to report the incident and requested roadside assistance to tow my vehicle to Armstrong Toyota of Homestead where I had purchased my vehicle. Upon arriving at Armstrong Toyota the service department took immediate action to have mechanics look over my vehicle as I stood by and watched. They were unable to determine why the driver's airbag deployed. The passenger airbag did not deploy which also demonstrates that the system was faulty and was not operating correctly if I had been in an actual accident. Armstrong Toyota requested to keep the vehicle and have the collision department go thoroughly through the vehicle to determine how the airbag could have deployed on its own. Armstrong Toyota of Homestead has always serviced my vehicle so their service department was completely aware of the service history of my vehicle.

The Armstrong Toyota Collision Center ran diagnostics on my vehicle and could not pin point or determine how the driver side airbag deployed without any impact or damage to my vehicle. There was nothing from underneath the vehicle or from the body that could have activated the sensor to release only the driver side airbag. They advised me that they had been contacted twice by Toyota Corporate and requested pictures that they had already taken. The Toyota Corporate adjusters could not find any damage to my vehicle and the manager of the Collision Center even told me that he was adamant by telling Toyota Corporate adjusters that there was no damage to the vehicle to cause only the driver's airbag to deploy. USAA also sent adjusters to see the vehicle and also determined that there was no damage to the vehicle to cause the airbag to deploy.

Your letter clearly shows that even after one month that your investigation was flawed and incorrect of

your findings. I personally take offense to your comments about me not wearing my seat belt, which kept me from striking the airbag. Just the mere fact that you state this in your letter shows the lack of effort on Toyota's part to accurately determine the cause for the driver side airbag to deploy on its own and drum up an excuse to justify why the sensor activated only the driver side airbag. You did not bother to contact me to discuss this incident. You did not go to the scene, which would have shown that the road was smooth with no obstructions to cause the sensor to go off. Further I have pictures of the vehicle showing that both seat belts restricted my wife and I, only the driver side air bag deployed and the road conditions were smooth which all refute your inaccurate and poor investigation. I also have a witness that was at the scene after the incident who came to our assistance.

Your response letter to me was a canned reply that lacked thorough facts and honesty to determine what in fact caused only the driver side airbag to deploy. I was without my vehicle for over 30 days, making payments on my car, paying my car insurance which left me on my own to arrange transportation to work. I actively pursued resolution of my case so that I could have assurance that once my vehicle was fixed that Toyota would warrant that this would never happen again. I did not feel safe driving this vehicle until I knew exactly why the airbag deployed and to this date Toyota Corporation has been unable to make this determination.

I was stonewalled by the adjustor that was assigned to my case Naomi Torres who was not forthcoming or helpful during the investigation. When I requested to speak with a supervisor she would not allow me to speak with any person above her and even advised me to write a letter if I was not satisfied with her answers. Ms. Torres would not advise me of the status of the investigation claiming that the facts were not available to her even as the assigned person to my claim. She could not provide me a clear timeline when I would be advised what caused the incident and assurances that this would not occur again. Ms. Torres also rebuked my USAA adjuster when they followed up as my insurance representative to also check on the status of my claim. All I got was the same answer that it would take 30 days to get a response and that it would be in writing. USAA also sent a letter to Toyota Corporation when they could not get any assistance from Ms. Torres and their letter was never answered. Even after 30 days I had to be persistent to get your letter that was never received to me by mail even after verifying my address with Toyota Corporation. I had to demand that it be emailed which still took 2 days to be received only because of my persistent calls. If you look at my phone calls and many messages I left you could see how non-caring or responsive Toyota Corporation was to me as a customer.

I have owned eight Toyota vehicles and I was treated with a lack of respect or concern from Toyota Corporation. You have been a cold and non-caring staff showing no concern for my claim and the potential injuries that could have occurred. Even the employees of Armstrong Toyota were shocked by their own company they work for and their belief this would have been handled more professionally. They were extremely apologetic from the lack of customer service and care that I did not get, and the canned reply that I had to wait over 30 days to receive that was inaccurate and an insult to me and my wife.

My rebuttal to your letter will be a record that Toyota Corporation has still not determined why only the driver side air bag deployed on it's own. Had I been going at a higher rate of speed this could have been a severe and fatal accident. I hold Toyota Corporation liable and completely responsible if anything may happen to my family or me while driving this vehicle and an airbag deploys for no reason. Further I will request that USAA hold Toyota Corporation responsible for faulty sensors that were replaced and that you reimburse my insurance company for replacing all the air bag sensors in my vehicle.

I am greatly disappointed with the non caring cold response from Toyota Corporation and will share my experience with as many owners or potential Toyota Customers who may also find themselves not getting the service, loyalty, assurances, integrity and honesty that is expected from a company like Toyota.

Copy: USAA

Toyota Corporation



<monsantoy@bellsouth.net> 01/28/2007 07:18 PM

To <Troy_Higa@toyota.com>

CC

bcc

Subject Fw: letter

---- Original Message -----

From: Troy Higa@toyota.com

To:

Sent: Thursday, December 14, 2006 12:54 PM

Subject: letter

Attached is a copy of our letter that was sent out to you on 11/29/06.

Troy H. Higa

Claims Administrator

direct line: 310-468-5638



direct fax: 310-381-5017 Scan1553, December 14, 2006.pdf Toyota.wps



Troy Higa/TMS/Toyota 12/14/2006 09:54 AM

Τo

CC

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Subject letter

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Writers Direct Telephone (310) 468-5638 Writers Direct Fax (310) 381-5017

November 29, 2006

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501 (310) 468-4000



RE:

Date of Loss:

October 14, 2006

Vehicle:

2003 Toyota Matrix

VIN:

2T1KR32E43Q

Dear

This letter is in response to your communication with our Customer Relations Department in regard to the above-referenced incident.

It is our understanding that while you were driving the vehicle with your wife in the passenger seat, you said that the driver side airbag deployed on its own. You said that both you and your wife were wearing your seatbelts at the time, and that the passenger seat belt caused bruising to your wife when the air bag deployed. You wanted to know why this occurred.

Your vehicle was inspected to determine the cause of the deployment of the air bags. Your vehicle is equipped with seat belt pretensioners, which normally deploy when the vehicle's air bags are deployed. When activated, the pretensioners lock the seat belts in place to assist in restraining the occupants. The inspection revealed that the driver's seat belt was not in use at the time of the accident as it was locked in the stowed position.

There was no apparent damage to the vehicle to indicate an impact. However, the air bags will not deploy without a reason. It is possible that you may have run over something rigid in the roadway which the air bag sensors would interpret as abrupt deceleration of the vehicle and deploy the air bags.

We are very sorry about this most unpleasant incident; however, the inspection did not reveal any defects with the air bag system.

Thank you for allowing us to address your concerns.

Very truly yours,

Troy H. Higa

Claims Administrator

Legal Department











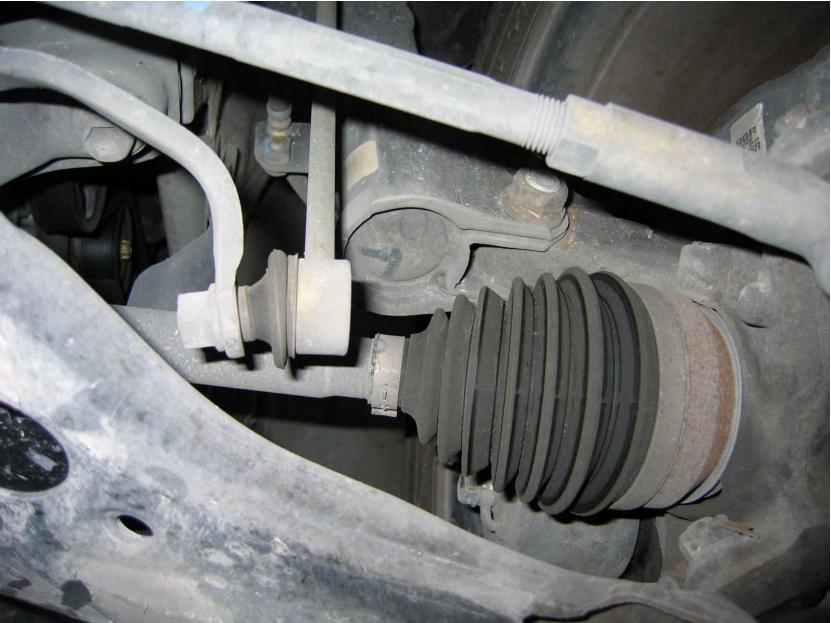






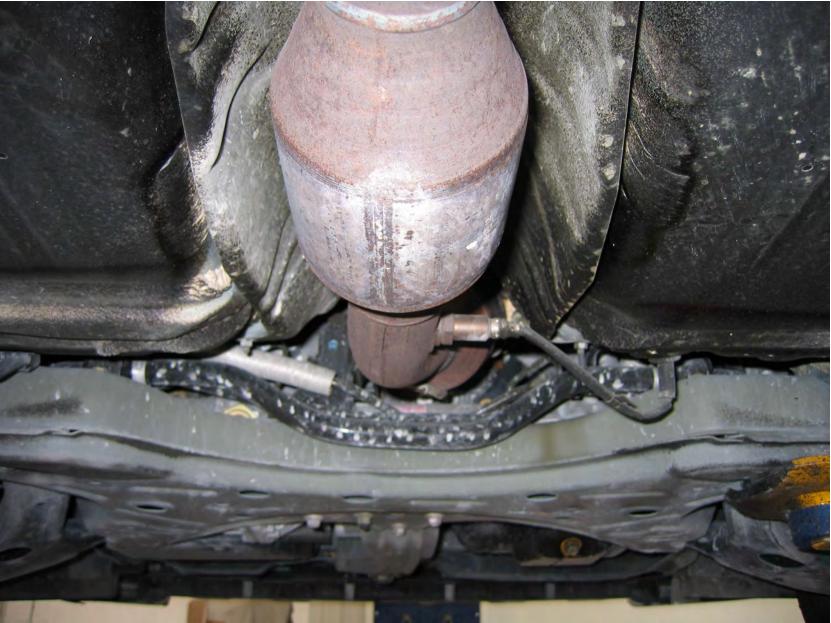




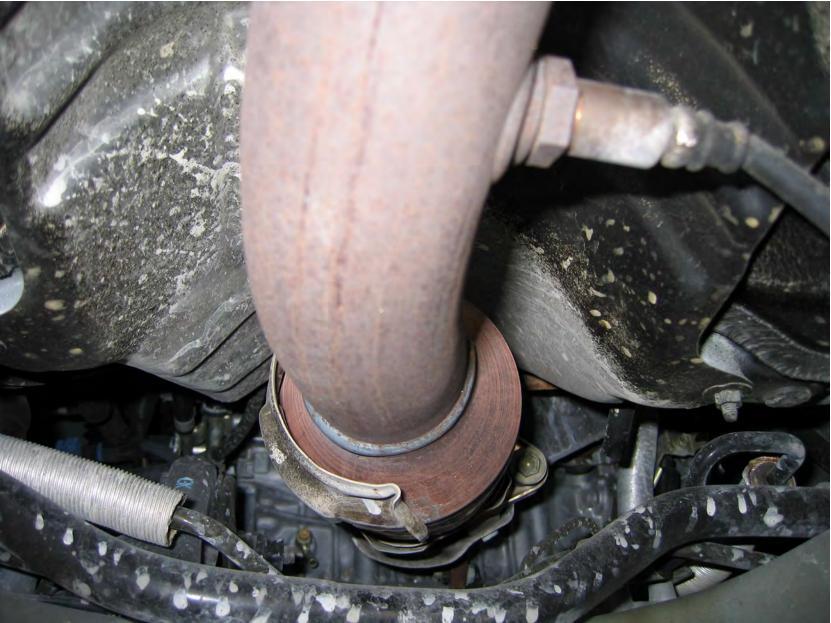




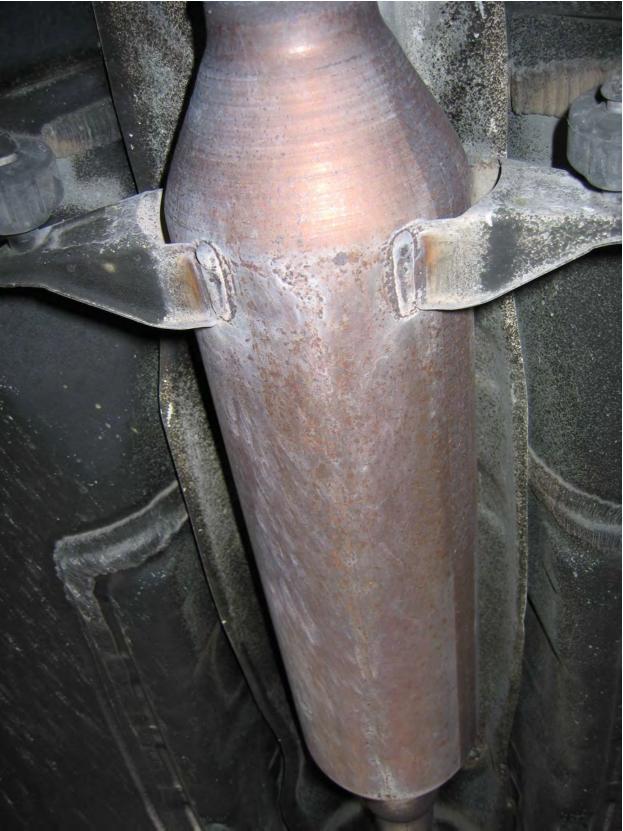


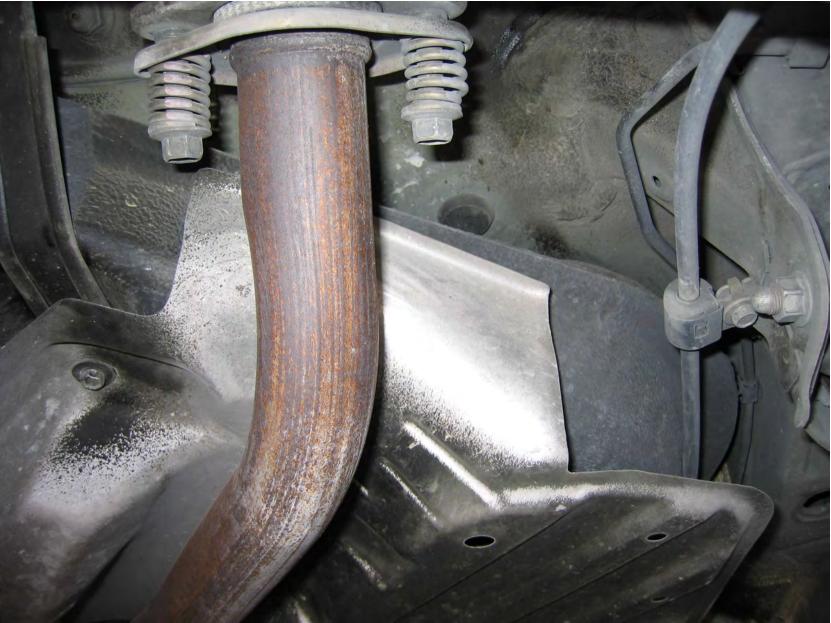




















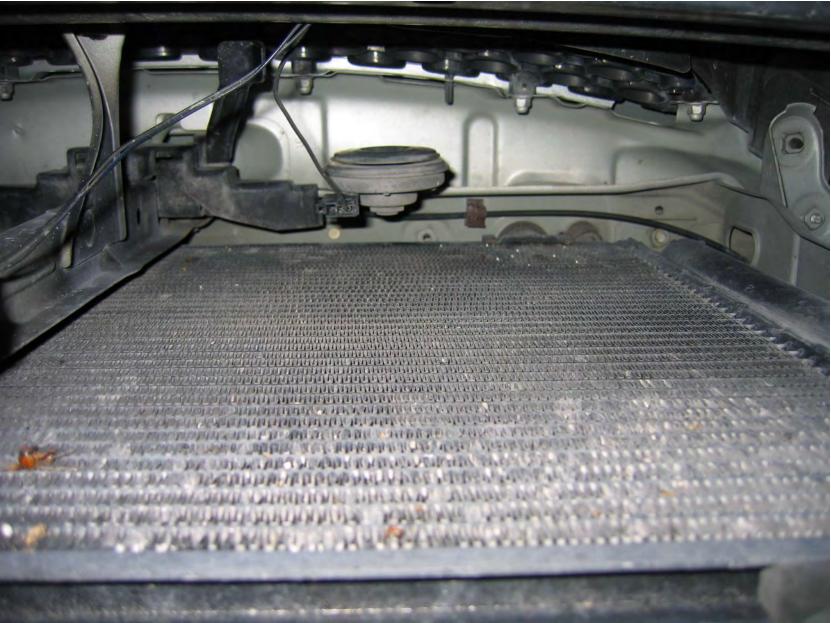






















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EA12-001 TOYOTA 10-3-2012 DISC 3 Attachment-Response 4 Part 1

TOYOTA

Writer's Direct Dial: (310) 468-5027 Writer's Direct Fax: (310) 381-6317

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S. A., Tr.: 19001 South Western Aven 32 Torrance, CA 90501 (310) 468-4000

January 4, 2007

VIA US MAIL

Reston, VA

RE:

Date of Loss: December 5, 2006
Vehicle: 2003 Toyota Corolla

VIN #:

2T1BR32E83C

Dear:

This letter is in response to your recent communication with our Customer Relations Department in regards to the above referenced incident.

It is our understanding that your son got into the vehicle, closed the door, put his seatbelt on and both front air bags deployed.

Your vehicle was inspected by one of our field technicians and it was found that both front air bags had deployed but the seatbelt pretensioners had not locked up. The inspection also revealed that there was an after market alarm installed with a mass of wiring under the left side of the dash. It would appear that the air bags were deployed as the result of improper after market wiring.

We are very sorry about this most unfortunate incident however based on our inspection of your vehicle it has been determined it was not the result of any type of manufacturing defect.

Thank you for allowing us to address your concerns in this matter.

Very truly yours.

Carole A. Hargrave

Claims Manager

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.

Case Report - 200612111834

Customer/Caller Summary:

Customer Name/Address:

Caller Phone: Caller Alt. Phone:



Case Summary:

Dofu:

Case Title:

Product; Abnormal Condition; Air Bags- Front; Deploy

Case Type: Priority Contact Method: Phone Cust Attitude: Concerned Coding Type: Complaint Product Category: Problem Area:

Abnormal Condition Air Bags- Front

Component: Condition: VTN:

Deploy 2T1BR32E83C 10/01/2002

Current Miles: 71000 70500 Incident Miles: Model Year: 2003 Model Name: Corolla CAŤ Region:

District: D

45050 Dealer 1: Koons Tysons Toyota, Koons Tysons Toyota, 45050 Selling Dealer:

Case History:

Caller Seeks: CAC Stated:

for toy to inspect veh and replace air bags if defective.

NCR forwarding case to region.

*** PHONE LOG 12/11/2006 03:00:24 PM TTsai

got in veh, turned on veh, closed doors, put on seat belt and Caller states: only son (both front air bags deployed. veh was not moving, in park. son is reg on insurance as operator, clear day parked at university, no MIL, Son was not hurt, and is currently in class. Purch veh used, does not know if its been in any previous accidents, happened on 12/05/2006, insurance(all state#3906994490) sts that they would not do anything, and dlr sts to contact CEC.

- *** SUBCASE 200612111834-1 CREATED 12/12/2006 06:56:19 AM KSpillane
- *** NOTES 12/12/2006 08:16:37 AM KSpillane
- +OUTGOING CALL TO DLR+ NCR 1/m for SM Peter Onderchain and provided direct #.
- *** NOTES 12/12/2006 08:42:58 AM KSpillane
- +INCOMING CALL FROM DLR+ SM Peter Onderchain sts cust contacted him to adv of situation, but did not have possession of veh. Sts son entered veh and started eng and both air bags deployed. Sts adv cust to contact
- *** NOTES 12/12/2006 12:41:26 PM KSpillane
- +OUTGOING CALL TO CUST+ Cust sts is registered owner of veh and son drives veh to school. Sts veh was parked & both front air bags deployed after starting the veh. Sts veh was taken to body shop and insurance sent inspector & adv not covered due to veh not being involved in an accident. Sts dlr adv to contact CEC. Sts sks to have air bags inspected & assist by Toy to rpr air bags. Sts ok to call son on home #. NCR adv will f/u after obtaining info.
- *** NOTES 12/12/2006 12:48:02 PM KSpillane
- +OUTGOING CALL TO CUST+ NCR spk to son, Cesaer Devers and he sts he was in drivers seat and no passengers. He sts pass air bag broke front windshield and drivers air bag made contact with him, but did not injure him. Sts veh was not moving. Sts no air bag warning was on.
- *** NOTES 12/12/2006 02:40:34 PM KSpillane
- +INTERNAL TO TMS+
- +OUTGOING CALL TO REGION+ NCR spk to CR Sup Lee Bezelik and adv, per Paul Timberlake, case is to be treated as a product issue and reviewed by region. NCR sent case to region for review, per LBezelik.

- *** NOTES 12/12/2006 02:43:24 PM KSpillane +OUTGOING CALL TO CUST+ NCR adv cust case will be forwarded to region for review. Cust understood and thanked.
- *** SUBCASE 200612111834-1 CLOSED 12/12/2006 02:44:03 PM KSpillane
- *** NOTES 12/14/2006 06:12:42 AM ABaker2

Cust c/b seeks to speak with KSpillane. ncr apol & adv cust case manager is not avail and will forward for a c/b within 1 bus day.ncr adv cust his concerns have been doc

*** NOTES 12/14/2006 09:38:01 AM LBezelik800

Lft cus vm msg to call Rgn at 410-760-1500 and asked to speak to Lee Bezelik in Customer Service. Msg included the process of 30 days to complete insp and 30 days to send letter with status.

*** NOTES 12/14/2006 10:01:56 AM KSpillane

- +OUTGOING CALL TO CUST+ NCR 1/m on alt # and adv returning call. NCR adv regional office 1/m earlier and suggest to contact office at # provided and if any other questions, welcome to c/b and provided 800 # and \times 73037.
- *** NOTES 12/18/2006 07:37:13 AM LBezelik800
- FTS to inspect veh at Northern Virginia Body Shop on Wednesday, December 20, 2006.
- *** NOTES 12/22/2006 07:39:54 AM LBezelik800
- FTS submitted report. Rgn submitted to TMS Legal, Carole Hargrave for review.
- *** NOTES 12/22/2006 08:45:06 AM LBezelik800

Returned cus 2 vm's from yesterday (Rgn Rep not available on 12/21). Lft msg for cus that Rgn forwarded information to TMS, Carole Hargrave for review. Adv'd cus Rgn will not be availabe until Thursday, Dec 28 for follow-up. Rgn also attempted to call on Alt # and lft mesg that I have submitted info to California Hdqtrs and I do not know when TMS will get back to me.

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Chg Status Dispatch	12/12/2006 02:45: 12/12/2006 02:44:	26 PM KSpill	ane Action Region.						
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Accept	12/12/2006	06:54:51	MA	KSpillane	from Queue Toyota Resolution Queue to WIP default.
Rule Action	12/11/2006	03:00:41	PM	rulemgr	Action Toyota Queue Notification of rule Toyota
					Queue Notification fired
Dispatch	12/11/2006	03:00:38	PM	TTsai	from WIP default to Queue Toyota Resolution Queue.
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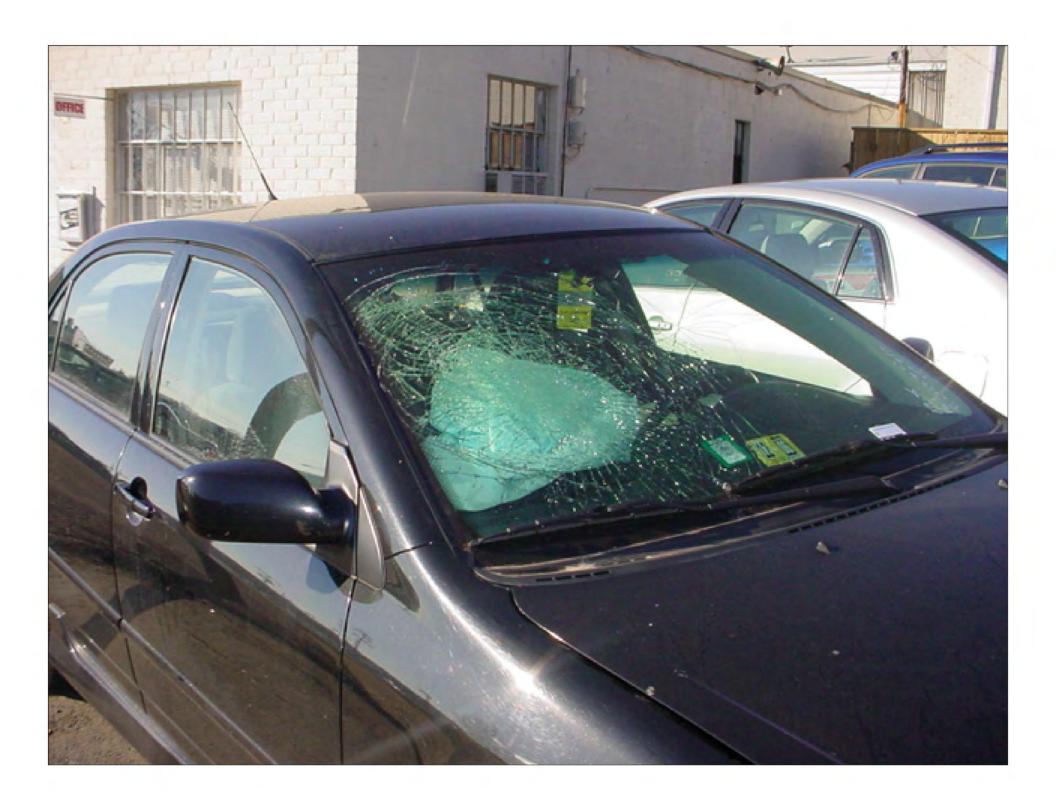


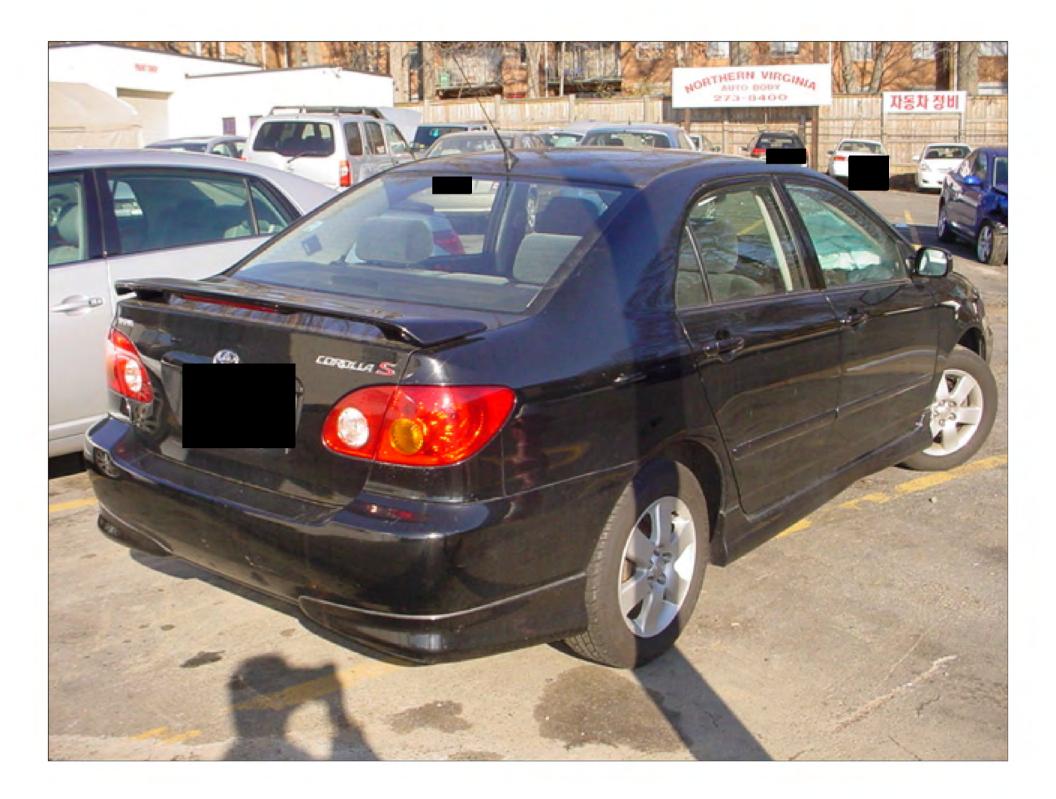


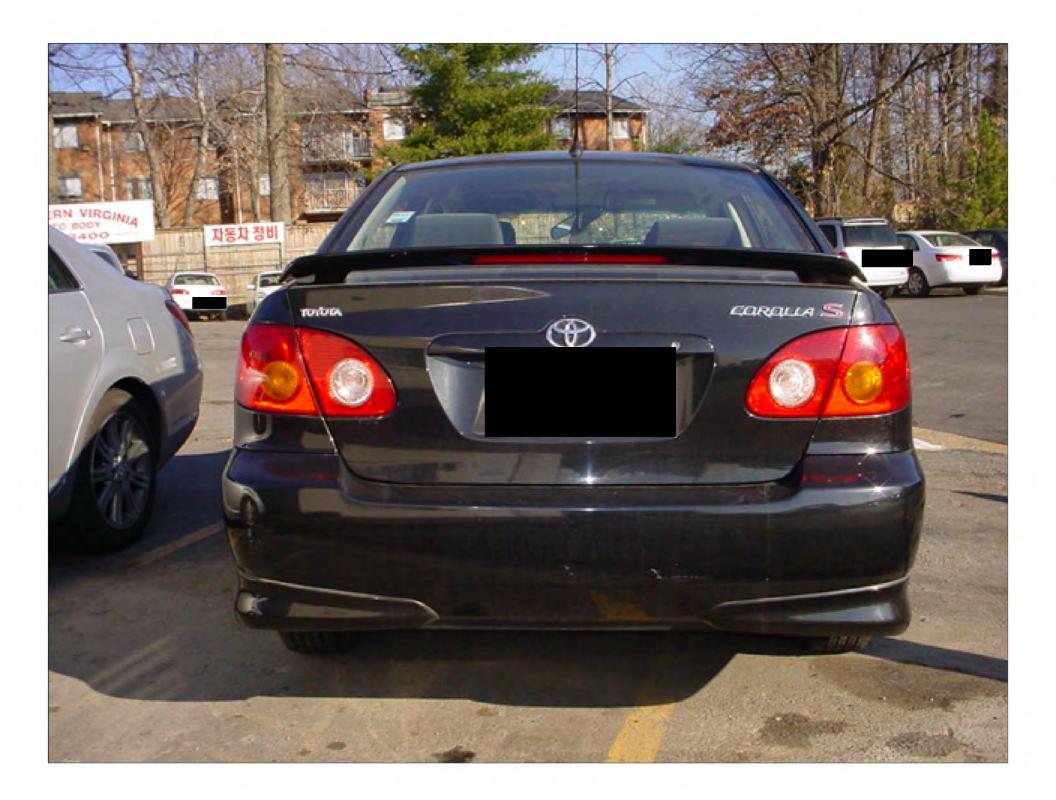


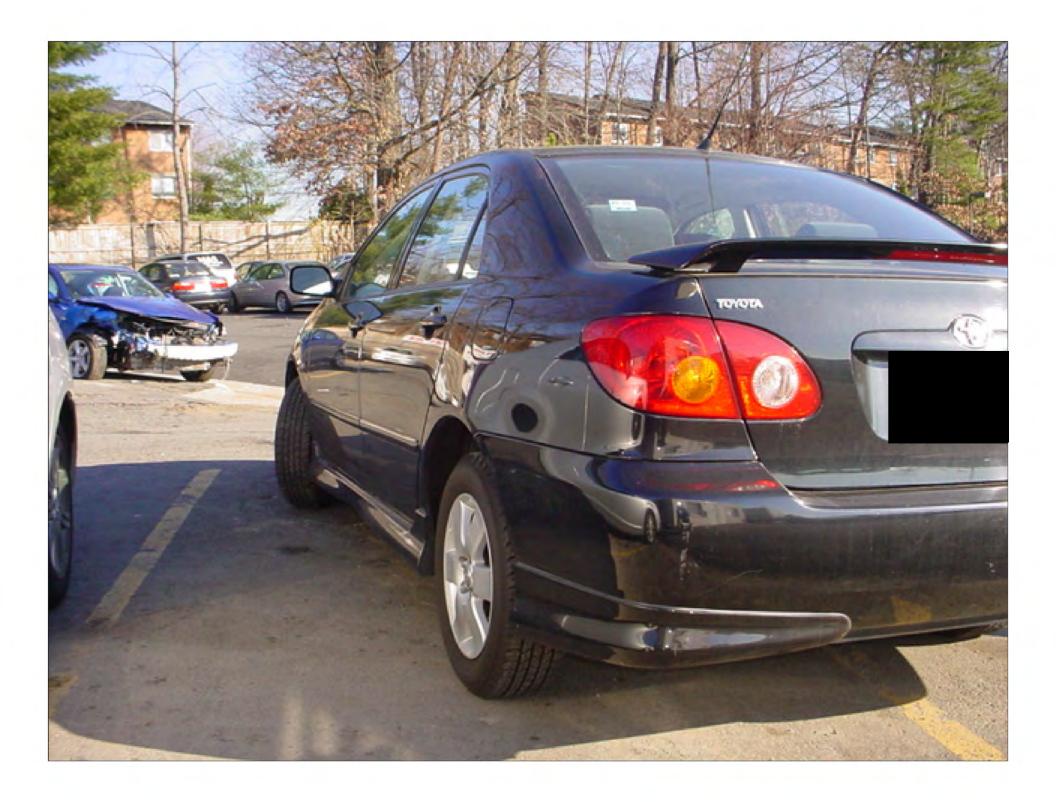


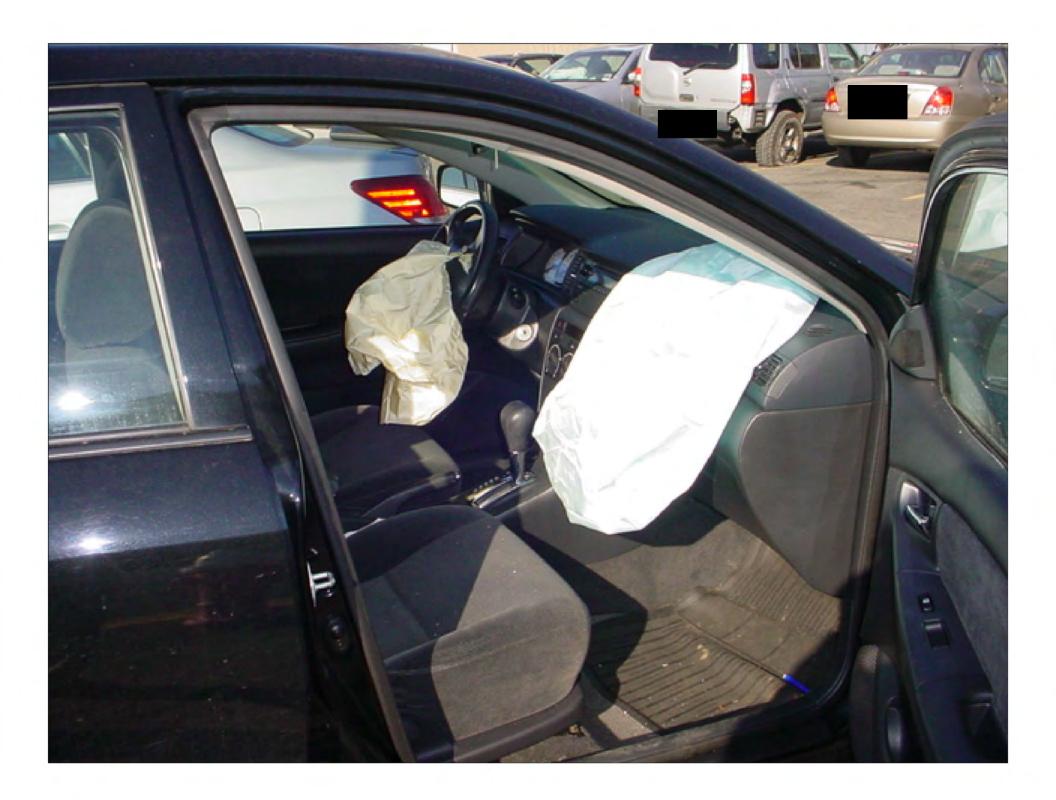


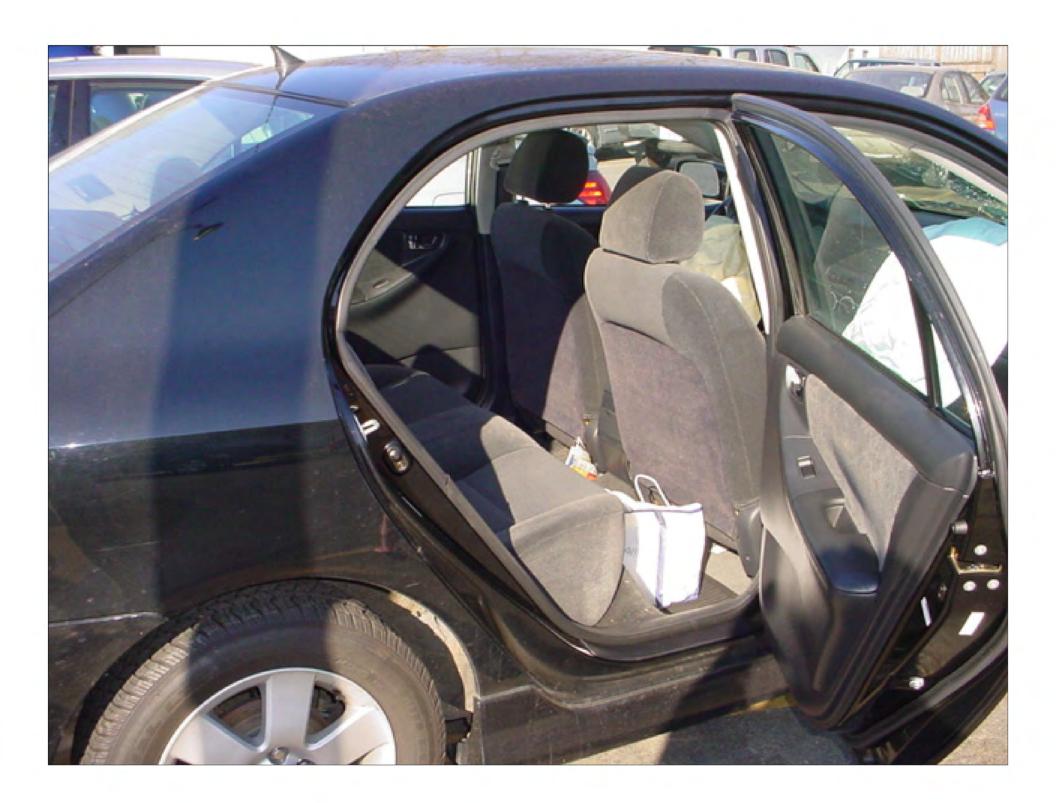










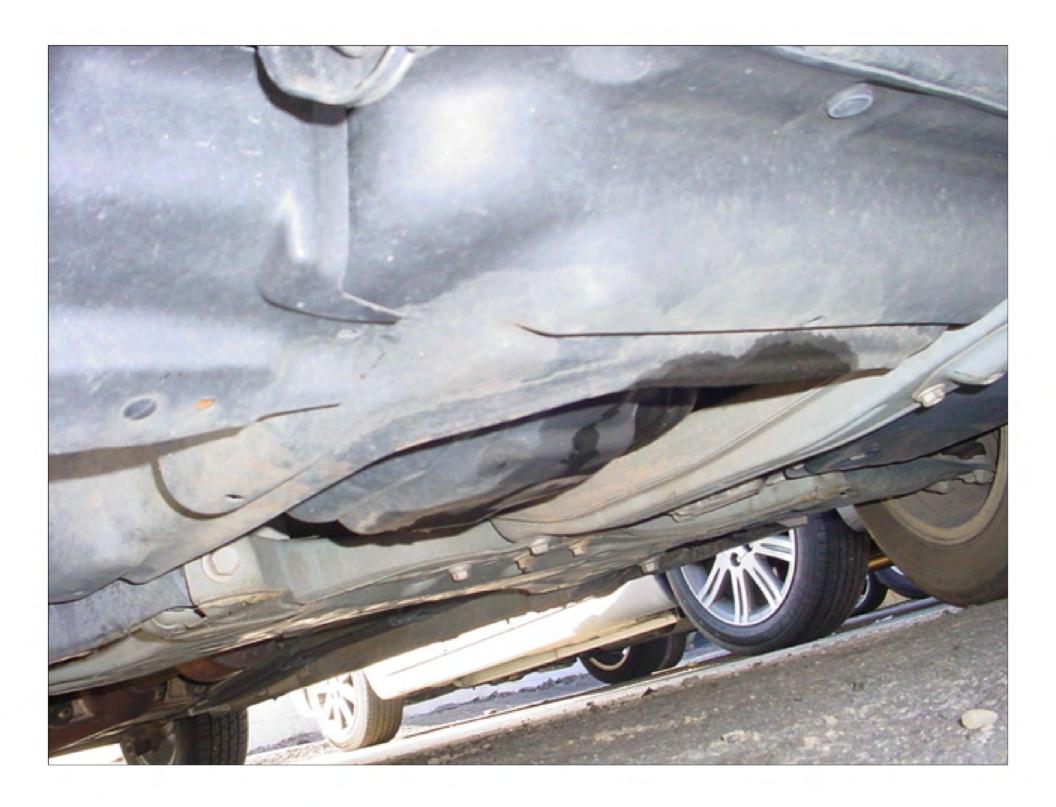












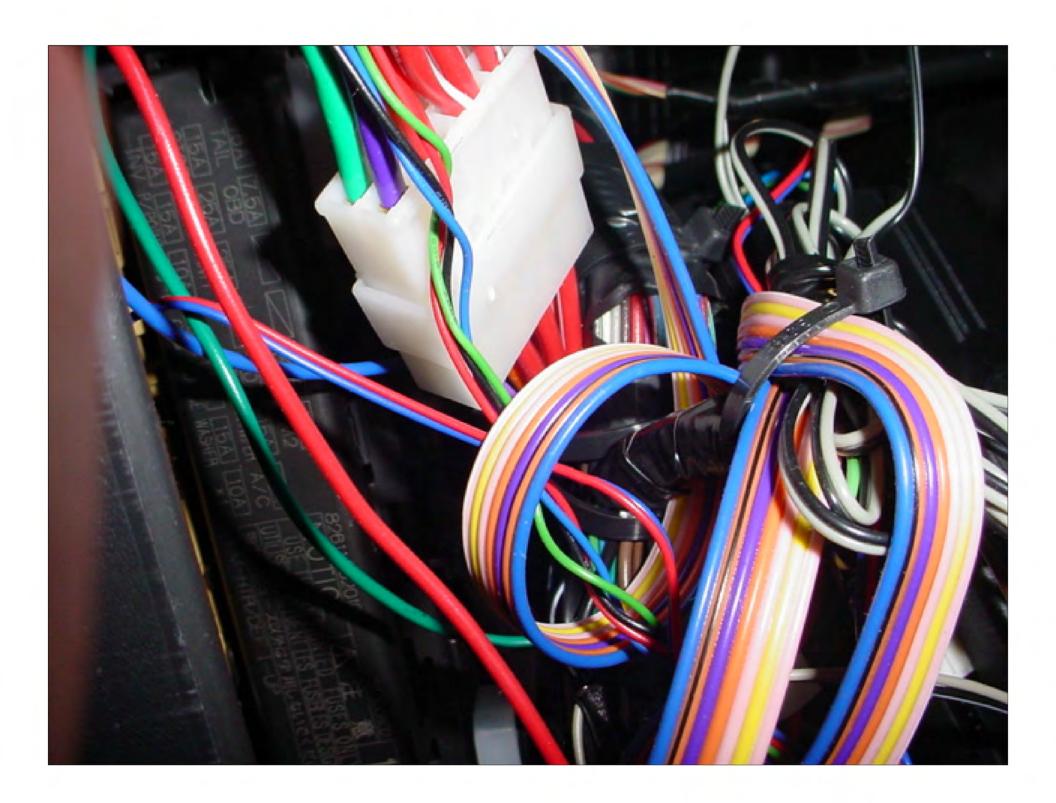


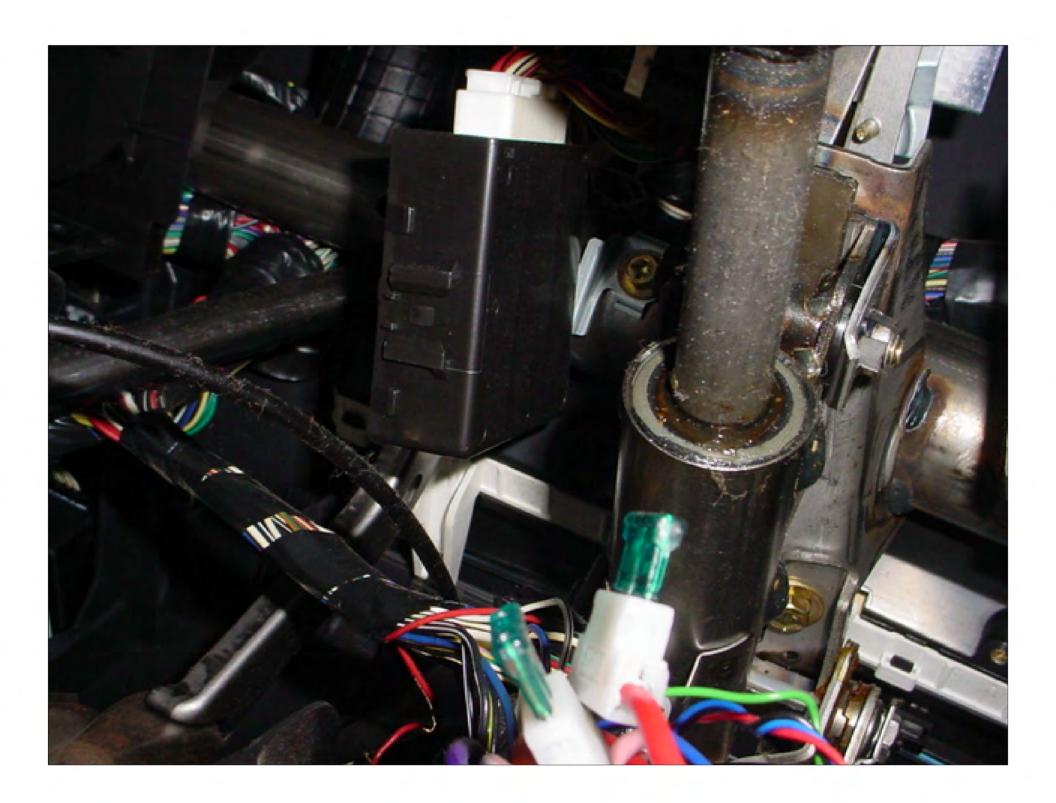


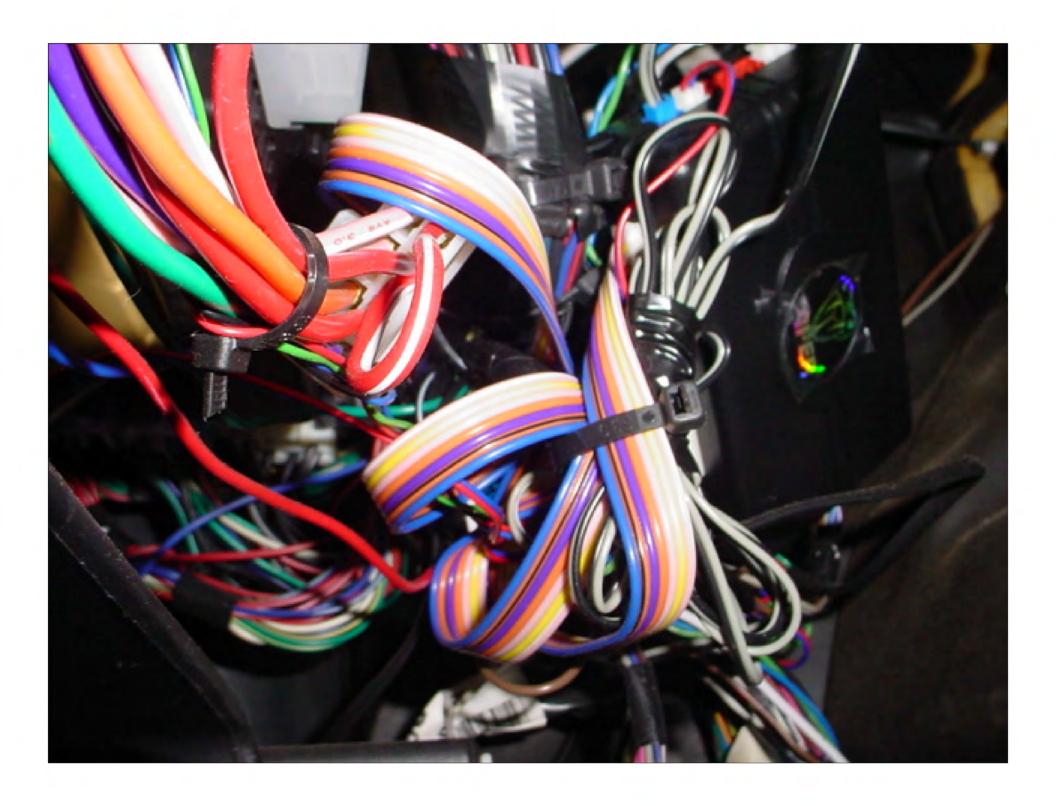








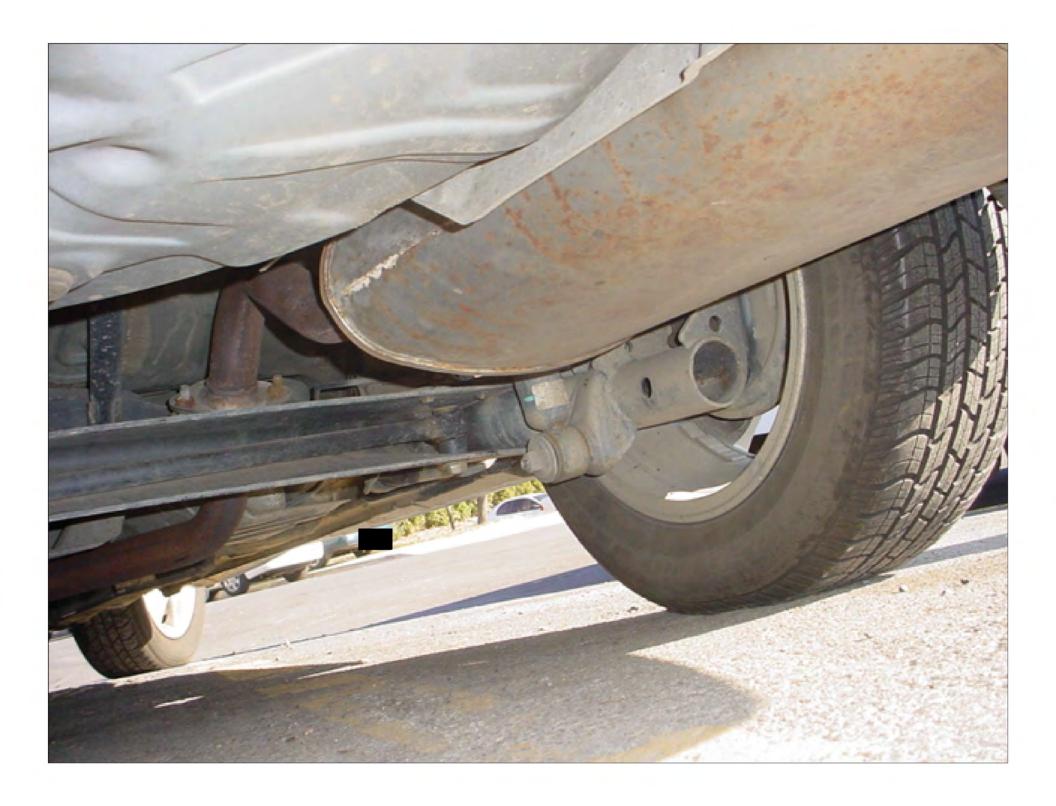


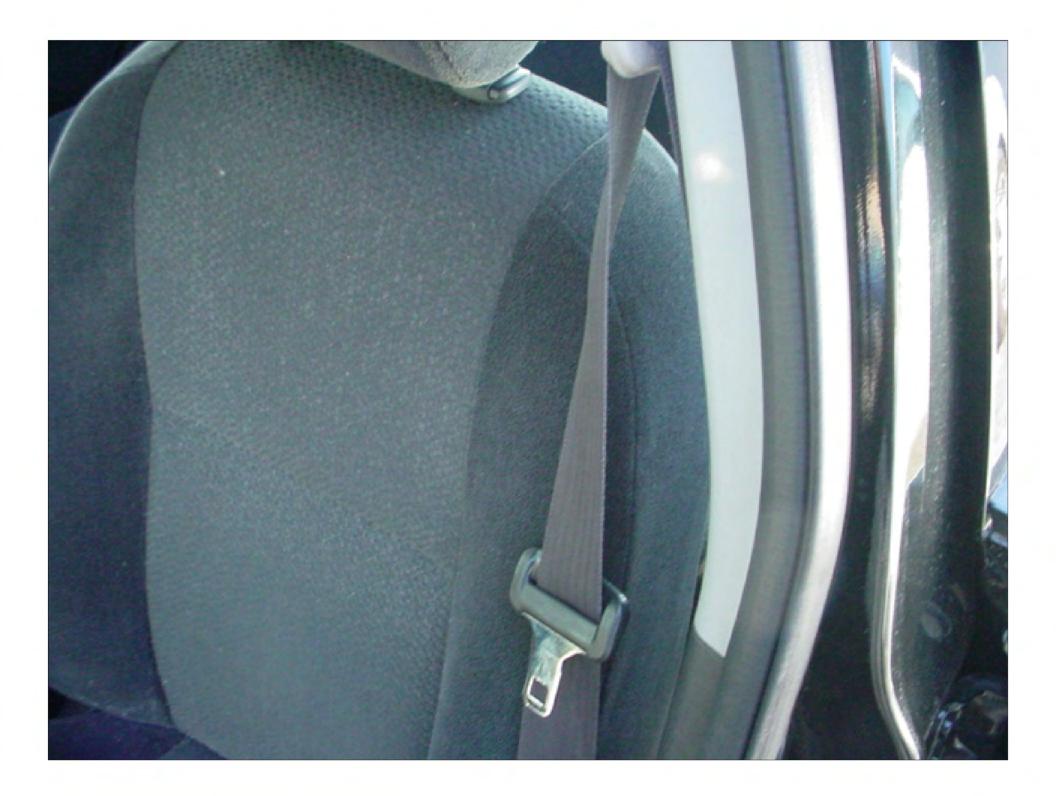


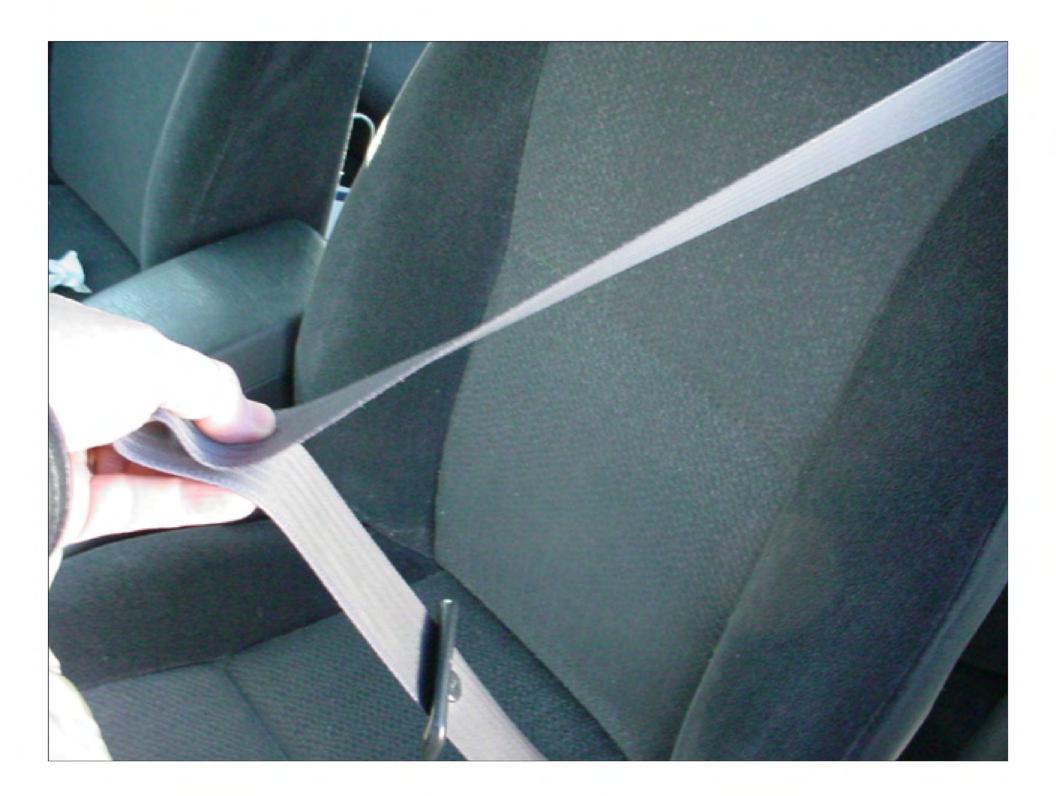








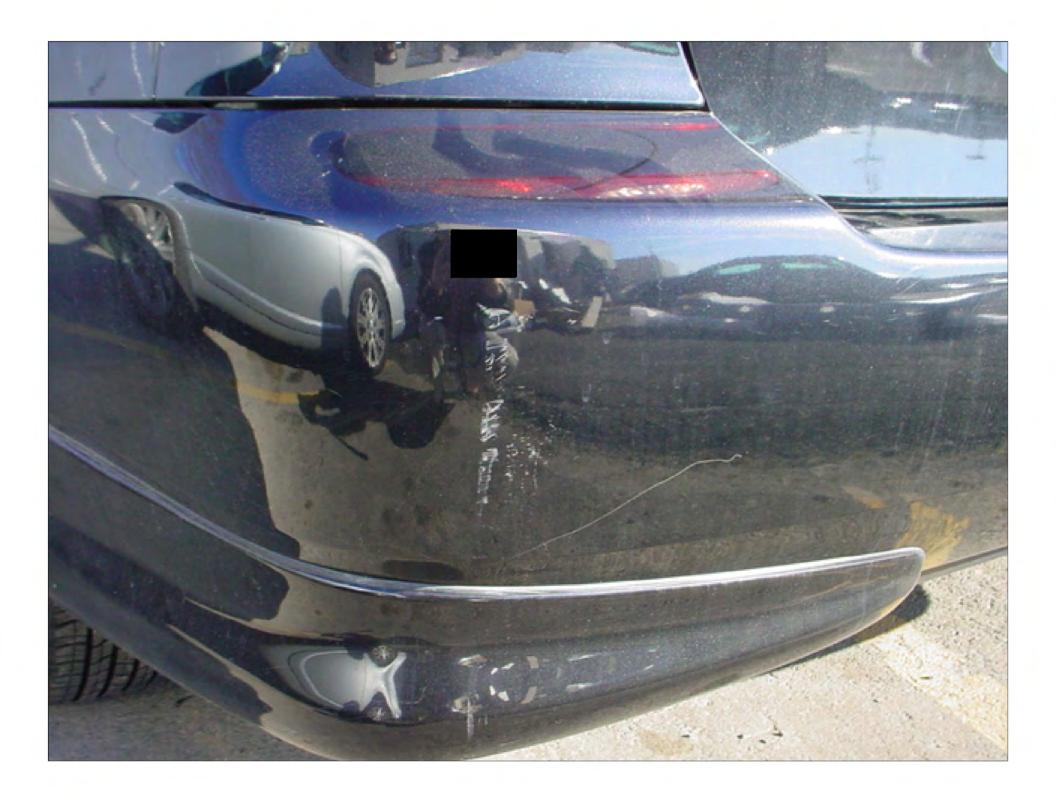


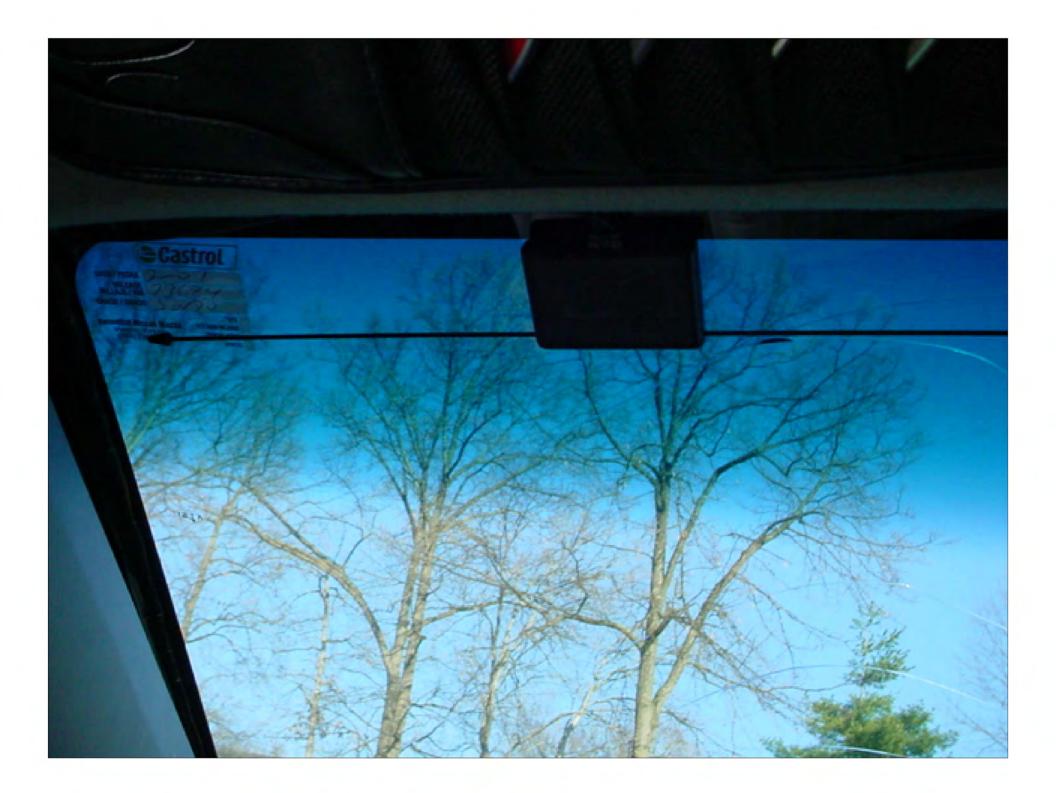


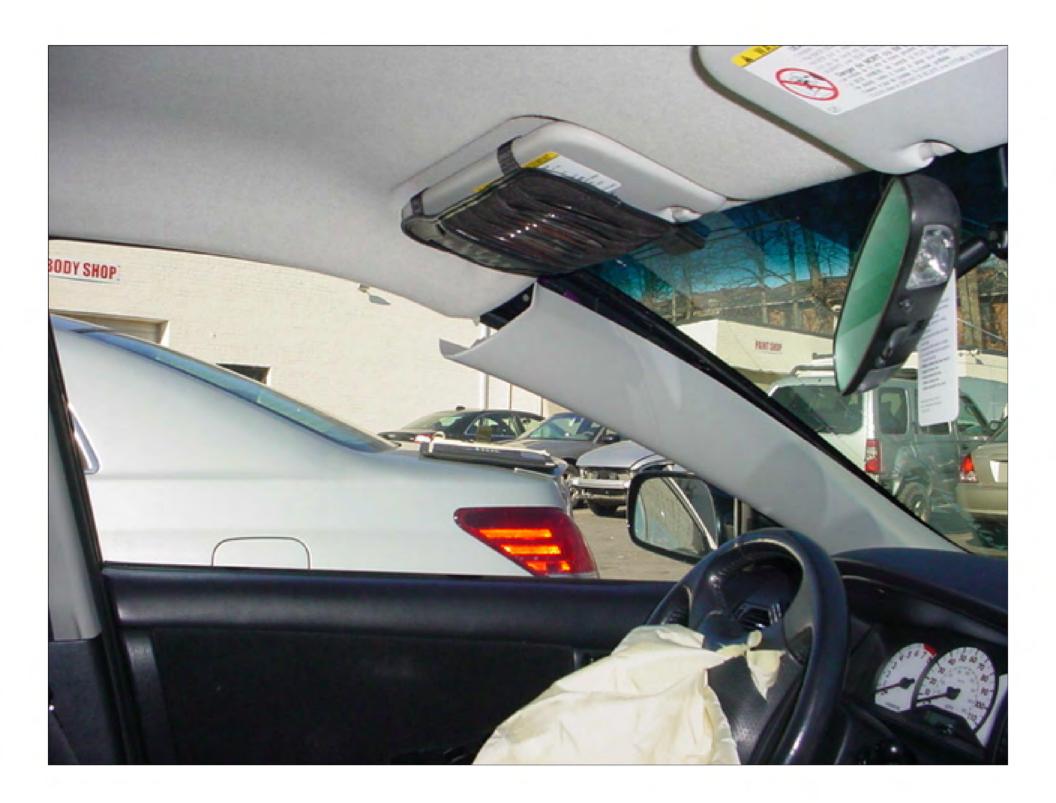












EA12-001 TOYOTA 10-3-2012 DISC 3 Attachment-Response 4 Part 1

Case Report - 200701170727

Customer/Caller Summary:

Customer Name/Address:

Tyngsboro, MA 999-999-9999

Caller Phone: Caller Alt. Phone:

Case Summary:

Case Title:

Case Type: Contact Method:

Cust Attitude: Coding Type: Category:

Problem Area: Component: Condition:

Condition: VIN: Dofu:

Current Miles: Incident Miles: Model Year: Model Name: Region:

Region: District: Dealer 1:

Selling Dealer:

Product; FCRP; Air Bags- Front; Deploy

Priority
Phone
Concerned
Complaint
Product
FCRP
Air Bags- Front

Deploy 2T1CG22P61C 07/23/2001

0 0 2001 Solara Boston

Boston Region, 20088
Toyota Of Nashua, 28009

Case History:

Caller Seeks:

Inspect veh, receive fair market value for the veh & toy to store the veh

pending resolution

CAC Stated:

Cust attorney to be contacted w/in 3 bus days.

*** PHONE LOG 01/17/2007 10:51:43 AM SMoore

Letter from claims dept. Cust attorney, anthony tarricone, 617-424-9100, sts 9-24-06, cust started veh and driver's air bag deployed, causing serious injuries. Claims rep, c. hargrave, requests region perform a fcrp inspection.

*** NOTES 01/17/2007 10:53:39 AM SMoore

Per legal rep, c. hargrave, cust having veh towed to indep. Sts factory rep will need to contact cust attorney to make inspection arrangements. NCR forwarded email/letter, from cust attorney to rcr. c. ringer. Only attorney is to be contacted.

*** NOTES 01/18/2007 09:48:11 AM CRinger170

RCR called cust attorney Anthony Tarricone and left msg to c/b to setup an inspection date. RCR is now waiting for c/b.

*** NOTES 01/24/2007 08:36:33 AM CRinger170

RCR called Anthony Tarricone again on 1/24/07 and left a msg with his receptionist to have him call the RCR Craig Ringer to setup a poss inspection date of 1/30/07. RCR is waiting for c/b.

*** NOTES 01/24/2007 02:09:53 PM CRinger170

RCR rcvd a msg from attorney Anthony Tarricone to have RCR call him back in regards to an inspection. RCR c/b Anthony and told him that 1/30/07 was the only day that the FTS CL would be available for an inspection. Anthony sts that may not be a good day for him and he may need to wait until the 2/19/07 to have the inspection done at the earliest. RCR sts will call FTS CL first thing on 1/25/07 to see if any other days have become available for him besides 1/30/07.

*** NOTES 01/25/2007 07:38:49 AM CRinger170

Anthony left msg w/ RCR, sts 2/19/07 would not be a good day for him to have the inspection and for the RCR to call him back.

*** NOTES 01/25/2007 07:44:29 AM CRinger170

RCR c/b Anthony, Anthony sts 2/21 - 2/23 are open for him to have the inspection done and at Toyota of Nashua would be fine. Anthony asked if Toyota of Nashua had a flatbed truck that could bring the veh from owner's home to dlr. RCR sts that they probably do not but will call dlr and find out and get back to Anthony. Anthony would also like to have something written up and sent to him w/a brief description on

what will be inspected.

*** NOTES 02/23/2007 08:11:50 AM CRinger170 The inspection was setup for 2/22/07 at 9:00am.

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Rule Action	01/24/2007	02:10:02	PM	rulemgr	Action Send Notify of rule Toyota Priority/Accident Non Orig Notes fired
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Chg Status	01/19/2007	09:36:45	AM	CRinger170	Action Region
Rule Action	01/18/2007	09:48:18	AM	rulemgr	Action Send Notify of rule Toyota Priority/Accident Non Orig Notes fired
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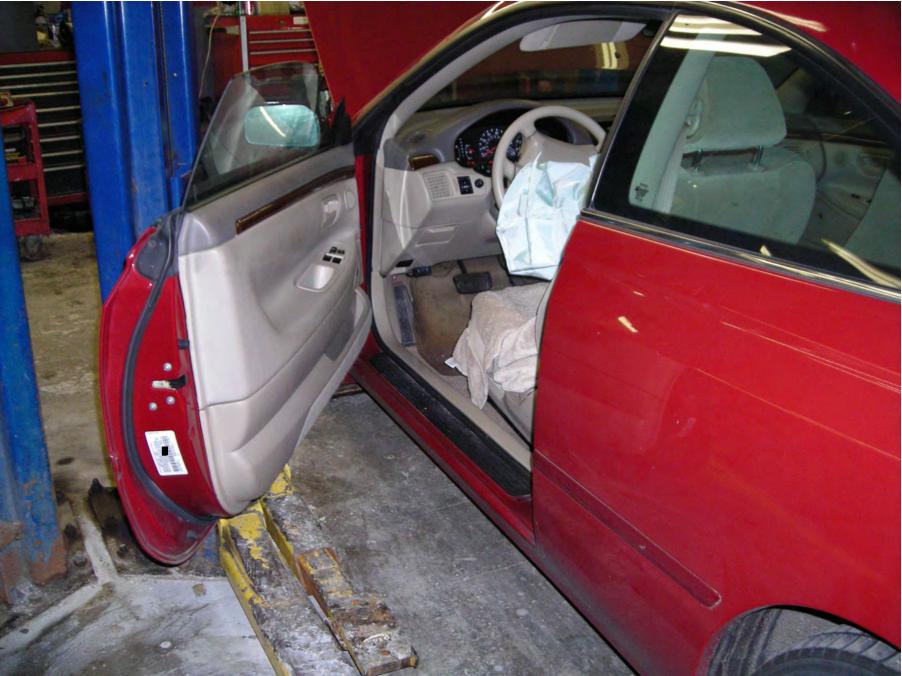




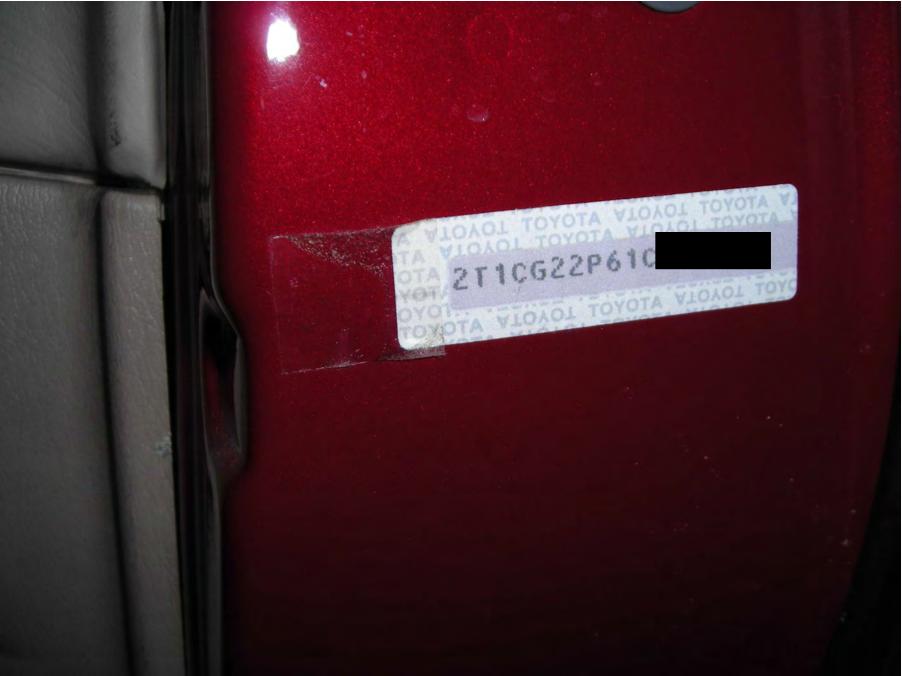




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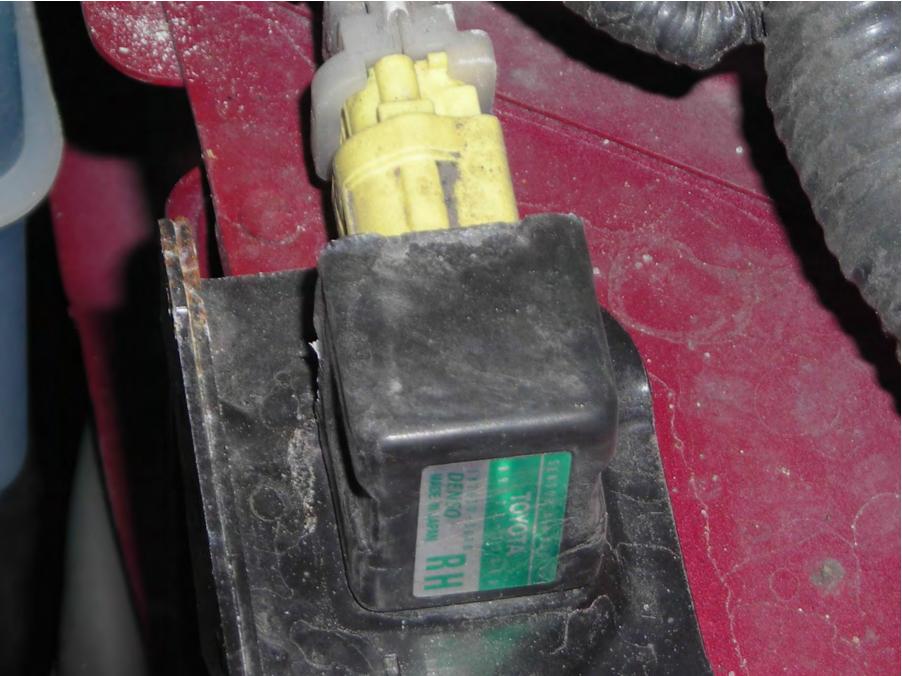








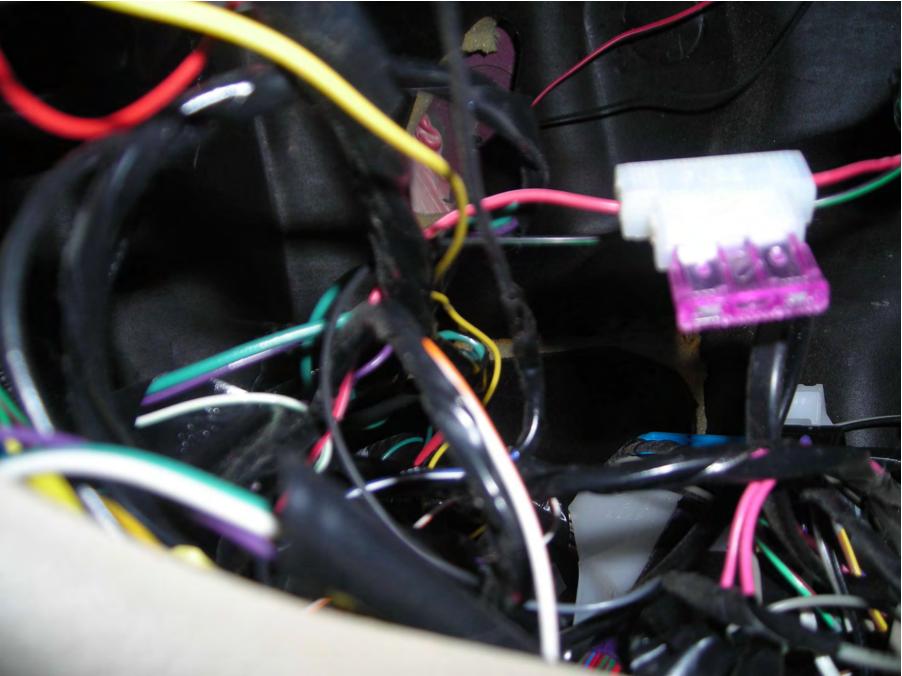


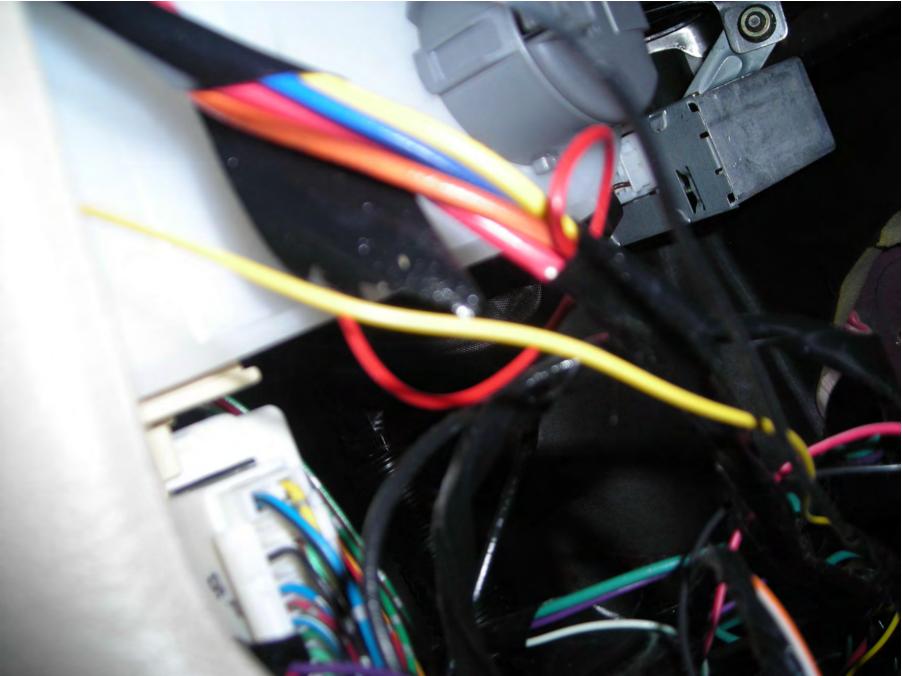




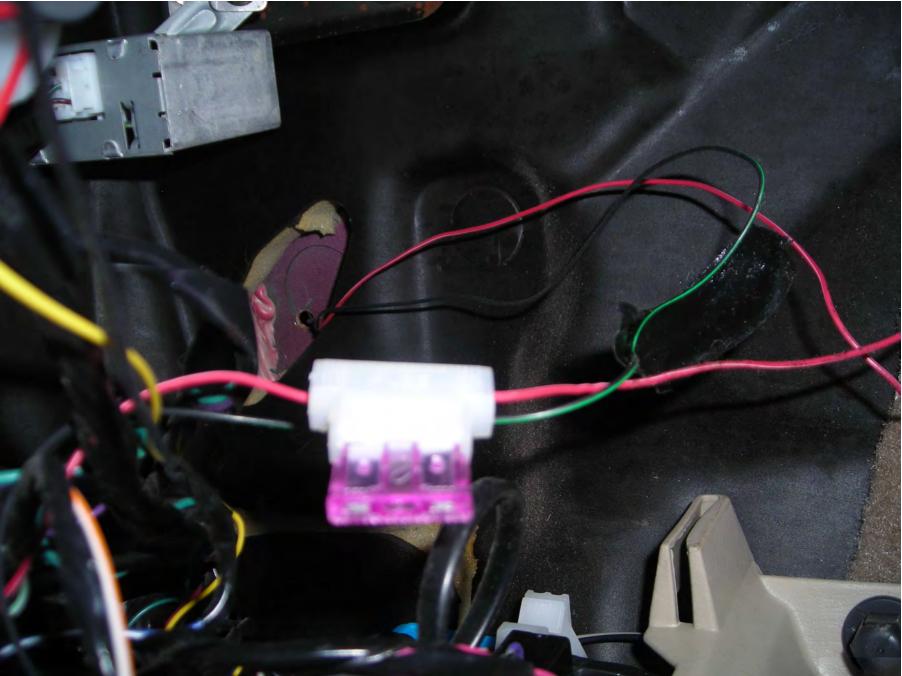




















Writers Direct Telephone (310) 468-5027 Writers Direct Fax (310) 381-6317 **Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.** 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

June 16, 2009

Byron G. Mousmoules O'CONNOR & ASSOCIATES, LLC Attorneys At Law 100 State Street – Fourth Floor Boston, MA 02109-2306

RE:

Date of Loss:

Vehicle: VIN #: September 24, 2006 2001 Toyota Solara

2T1CG22P61C

Dear Mr. Mousmoules:

Enclosed you will find our check number \$25,000, payable to

in the amount of as her attorneys.

Thank you for your help in bringing this matter to a satisfactory conclusion for all parties.

Very truly yours,

Carole A. Hargrave

Claims Manager

Toyota Motor Sales, USA Inc.

100 STATE STREET – FOURTH FLOOR BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02109-2306

TELEPHONE (617) 723-7201 FACSIMILE (617) 723-7202

Byron G. Mousmoules bmousmoules@oconnorllc.com

June 12, 2009

VIA E-MAIL ONLY

Mr. Wade Loud Sr. Claim Representative ACADIA INSURANCE CO. 290 Donald Lynch Blvd. P.O. Box 9168 Marlborough, MA 01752 Carole A. Hargrave Claims Manager TOYOTA MOTOR SALES USA INC. 19001 South Western Ave. Torrance, CA 90501

RE:

v. Toyota of Nashua

Claim No.

DOL: September 24, 2006

Dear Mr. Loud and Ms. Hargrave:

Enclosed please find the release which has been executed by Form W-9.

Kindly arrange to have your respective settlement checks (\$25,000 from Toyota Motor Sales USA; \$175,000 from Acadia Insurance) made payable to "Kreindler & Kreindler LLP, Attorneys for Karen Mitchell" and forward them to my attention. I will then forward them to plaintiff's counsel.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Very truly yours,

Byron G. Mousmoules

BGM:pam Enc.

RELEASE/HOLD HARMLESS/INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

being of lawful age, for the consideration of Two Hundred Thousand I/We. Dollars (\$200,000) to the undersigned in hand paid (\$175,000 paid on behalf of Toyota of Nashua, Inc. and \$25,000 paid on behalf of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.), do for myself/ourselves, my/our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, hereby release, and forever discharge Toyota of Nashua, Inc., Acadia Insurance Co., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., as well as all Toyota subsidiaries, and dealers and affiliates, hereinafter known as Releasee(s), his or their successors and assigns, heirs, executors, and administrators, from any and every claim, demand, right or cause of action, of whatever kind or nature, on account of or in any way growing out of any and all personal injuries and consequences thereof, including any injuries which may exist but which at this time are unknown and unanticipated and which may develop at some time in the future, all unforeseen developments arising from known injuries, and any and all property damage resulting or to result from an accident which occurred on or about Se 24, 2006, where the driver's side airbag in a 2001 Toyota Solara VIN 2T1CG22P61C deployed and especially all liability arising out of said accident including, but not limited to, all liability for contribution and/or indemnity.

I/We hereby declare and represent that the injuries sustained may be permanent and progressive and that recovery therefrom is uncertain and indefinite, and in making this release and agreement it is understood and agreed that I/we rely wholly upon my/out judgment, belief and knowledge of the nature, extent and duration of said injuries, and that I/we have not been influenced to any extent whatever in making this release by any representations or statements regarding said injuries, or regarding any other matters not contained herein, made by the Releasee(s), or by anyone representing him or them, or by any physician or surgeon by him or them employed.

I/We hereby declare that the undersigned will indemnify and save harmless the Releasee(s) from any and every claim and demand, of every kind or character which may ever be asserted by reason of said injuries, illnesses or disease or the effects or consequences thereof, or damage to property or person, brought by the Releasor or anyone subrogated to the right of Releasor which arise from the injuries, damages, or expenses resulting from the above-described accident, or otherwise claiming by or through Releasor or as a result of this occurrence, including but not limited to, personal injury protection benefits, medical payment benefits, hospital payment benefits, and any and all other subrogation claims of any kind.

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Signed	Witnessed	

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This release expressly reserves all right of the Releasee(s), on whose behalf payment is made and the rights of all persons in privity or connected with them and reserves to them their right to pursue their legal remedies, if any, against the undersigned or any liable parties.

agrees that in return for this settlement she agrees to subrogate all remaining litigation rights and causes of action relating to the subject incident, including, but not limited to Gold Seal, GS Audio Works, and GS Audioworks, LLC, to Acadia Insurance, which will include transfer of title of the subject vehicle to that person or entity designated by Acadia Insurance.

This release contains the ENTIRE AGREEMENT between the parties hereto, and the terms of this release are contractual and not a mere recital.

I/We further state that I/We has thereof, and I/we sign the sar	nave carefully read the foregoing release and know the contents me as my/our own free act.
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Signed	Witnessed

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Byron G. Mousmoules bmousmoules@oconnorllc.com

May 20, 2009

Carole A. Hargrave Claims Manager TOYOTA MOTOR SALES USA INC. 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

RE:

v. Toyota of Nashua

Claim No.

DOL: September 24, 2006

Dear Ms. Hargrave:

We are pleased to advise that a settlement has been reached. The total settlement amount is \$200,000, of which Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. will contribute \$25,000.

We are in the process of preparing a release, and it will be forwarded to you for your review and approval.

The settlement draft should be made out to Kreindler & Kreindler, LLP, attorneys for The tax identification number for their firm is 13-5617697.

In the interim if you have any questions, I am at your disposal.

Very truly yours

Byron G. Mousmoules

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To "Byron Mousmoules"

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Subject Re: Karen Mitchell settlement

Please name "Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., as well as all Toyota subsidiaries, and dealers and affiliates, " in the release and add the following hold harmless wording.

As additional consideration for the payments described above, Claimant hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Defendants, their agents, employees, successors, predecessors in interest, subsidiaries, affiliates, dealers, and assigns, against any and

all loss or expense from any and all claims, demands and actions that may now or hereafter at any time be brought by the Claimant or anyone subrogated to the right of Claimant which arise from the injuries, damages, or expenses resulting from the above-described accident, or otherwise claiming by or through Claimant or as a result of this occurrence, including but not limited to, personal injury protection benefits, medical payment benefits, hospital payment benefits, and any and all other subrogation claims of any kind.

As soon as I get the payee information, signed release and completed w-9 form for the claimant's attorney firm (attached) I will forward our check to you.

Congratulations on the settlement and if you have any questions or need anything else just let me know.

Carole





"Byron Mousmoules"

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To <Carole_Hargrave@Toyota.com>

Subject settlement

Ms. Hargrave,

We have settled the case for a total of \$200,000 with Toyota Motor Sales USA contributing \$25,000. Please advise who we should identify in the release, if any, in addition to Toyota Motor Sales USA,

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attorney will be providing me with the information needed for the settlement drafts, and that will be sent to you as soon as we receive it.

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Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

February 11, 2009

Byron G. Mousmoules O'CONNOR & ASSOCIATES, LLC Attorneys At Law 100 State Street – Fourth Floor Boston, MA 02109-2306

RE:

Date of Loss:

Vehicle:

VIN #:

September 24, 2006 2001 Toyota Solara

2T1CG22P61C

Dear Mr. Mousmoules:

This letter is in response to your recent telephone message. I attempted to fax a response to you at (617) 723-7202 but could not get the fax to go through.

We do not release the information that you have requested as this is a part of our work product. The diagnostic reading (which was all that was done) showed no codes other than the one indicating that the air bag was deployed.

Very truly yours,

Carole A. Hargrave

Claims Manager

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A, Inc.



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January 20, 2009

Byron G. Mousmoules O'CONNOR & ASSOCIATES, LLC Attorneys At Law 100 State Street – Fourth Floor Boston, MA 02109-2306

RE:

Date of Loss: Vehicle:

VIN #:

September 24, 2006 2001 Toyota Solara

2T1CG22P61C

Dear Mr. Mousmoules:

This letter will serve to acknowledge our receipt of your letter dated January 8, 2009 in regards to the above referenced incident.

As you are aware we denied this claim to attorney Anthony Tarricone on august 7, 2007 based on our inspection of the vehicle. The inspection showed sufficient undercarriage damage to deploy the air bags. We also found an after market alarm system that had been installed with modified wiring that also could have been the cause of the air bag deployment.

No defect was found and therefore we denied the claim based on our findings. We have no problem in defending this case in regards to any type of defect and do not settle any claims based on cost of litigation. I am willing to add \$25,000 to any settlement you make with the Plaintiffs attorney for a full release however this is the maximum we would be willing to contribute to any settlement.

Very truly yours,

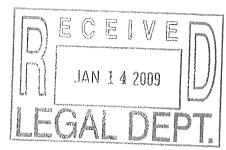
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January 8, 2009

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED #7007 0710 0004 8578 2127

Carole A. Hardgrave Claims Manager TOYOTA MOTOR SALES USA INC. 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

RE: v. Toyota of Nashua

Claim No.

DOL: September 24, 2006

Dear Ms. Hardgrave:

We are writing again in regards to the potential of settling this matter in the pre-litigation stages. As you know, Karen Mitchell suffered a broken arm when the airbag on her 2001 Toyota Camry VIN No. 2T1CG22P610 deployed the driver's side airbag when started the vehicle. This resulted in her suffering a broken arm, loss of work, property loss and medical expenses, totaling to approximately \$40,000.

The plaintiff has recently lowered her settlement demand from \$350,000 to \$250,000. Once again, we request that Toyota USA Motor Sales, Inc. participate with us in trying to resolve this matter short of the cost of litigation. We believe that it may be possible to obtain a settlement within the \$200,000 range. Successfully doing so would avoid the otherwise significant cost of defending against the plaintiff's lawsuit, which would undoubtedly be filed against our client and Toyota Motor Sales USA, Inc.

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I would appreciate it if you could contact me within the next several weeks so that we can discuss the situation.

Jery truly yours,

Byron G/ Mousmoules

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cc: Wade Loud

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February 4, 2008

Carole A. Hardgrave Claims Manager TOYOTA MOTOR SALES USA INC. 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

RE:

v. Toyota of Nashua

Claim No.

DOL: September 24, 2006

Dear Ms. Hardgrave:

As you should have noted from our correspondence of August 29, 2007, our offices represent Toyota of Nashua in this claim. We are herein tendering the defense and indemnification of this claim to Toyota Motor Sales USA. This is based upon the plaintiff's allegations of product defect. As you know, the claimed injury is asserted to have come as a result of a predeployment of the driver's side airbag, resulting in injuries to the owner,

We also request all documentation in the possession of Toyota Motor Sales USA Inc. regarding the transfer and/or sale of the vehicle in question, VIN #2T1CG22P61C

I look forward to your response in the near term.

Very truly yours,

Byron/G. Mousmoules

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cc: Wade Loud

Claim No.

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August 29, 2007

Carole A. Hardgrave Claims Manager TOYOTA MOTOR SALES USA INC. 19001 South Western Ave. Torrance, CA 90501

RE:

v. Toyota of Nashua

Claim No.

DOL: September 24, 2006

Dear Ms. Hardgrave:

Our offices have been retained to represent the interests of Toyota of Nashua. We understand that an inspection of the vehicle owned by VIN: 2T1CG22P61C was made by Toyota in regards to her claim. We would appreciate it if any photographs depicting the portions of the vehicle inspected along with any documentation relevant to the findings of that inspection be provided to us. The plaintiff has issued a formal demand to our client pursuant to the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws Chapter 93A. In order to respond, we request that those photographs and documents be provided to us so that we may respond adequately.

Please feel free to contact my office or have legal counsel do so.

Very truly yours,

Byron/G/Mousmoules

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VVriter's Direct Dial: (310) 468-5027 Writer's Direct Fax: (310) 381-6317 Carole hargrave@toyota.com

August 7, 2007

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501 310 468-4000 310 468-7808 Fax

VIA US MAIL

Anthony Tarricone KREINDLER & KREINDLER LLP 277 Dartmouth Street Boston, MA 02116

RE:

Date of Loss:

Vehicle: VIN #: September 24, 2006 2001 Toyota Solara 2T1CG22P61C

Dear Mr. Tarricone:

This letter will serve to acknowledge our receipt of your letter and attachments dated August 1, 2007 in regards to the above referenced case.

You have made a demand however you have not furnished us with any type of medical documentation or loss of earnings documentation. In order to consider any type of demand we will first need for you to furnish us with all of medical records and reports to include EMT reports and Emergency Room reports. We will also need documentation from doctor indicating that she was unable to work, including any type of restrictions and the length of time for the restrictions. We will also need verification from her employer as to the time she missed from work, work restrictions etc. and the actual amount of wages she lost.

As stated in my letter of March 29, 2007 the vehicle is designed with a safeing system. When the vehicle is started the system goes through a six to eight second diagnostic check if it detects any mechanical issue the light will stay on and the system will shut down at which time the air bag will not deploy. I do understand that your client has stated that the vehicle was parked at the time the air bag deployed however the damage found to the undercarriage of the vehicle was sufficient to deploy the air bag in the vehicle. There was modified wiring found which could have also been related to the deployment of the air bag. However either of these issues would not constitute any type of manufacturing defect.

Please furnish us with the medical and loss of earnings documentation requested above. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Carole A. Hargrave

Claims Manager

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.

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August 1, 2007

<u>VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Toyota of Nashua 10 Marmon Drive New England Auto Village Nashua, NH 03060

Re:

Claimant:

Date of Injury: September 24, 2006

Demand Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws c.93A

Dear Toyota of Nashua Representative:

This letter is a formal demand pursuant to the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws c. 93A.

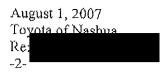
This office represents of Tyngsboro, Massachusetts, who was injured when the airbag in her 2001 Toyota Camry Solara deployed without an accident or impact. It is the owner of a model year 2001 Toyota Camry Solara, VIN No. 2T1CG22P61C which she purchased new from Toyota of Nashua on July 19, 2001, with financing from Toyota Motor Credit Corporation. Toyota of Nashua sold the vehicle to with a combination remote starter and car alarm, which was installed by Toyota of Nashua before delivery of the new vehicle. See Attached Appendix A, Toyota of Nashua Order and Invoice.

initially asserted legal claims against Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc. and Toyota Motor Corporation (collectively "Toyota"), for personal injuries, property damage, and violation of the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws Chapter 93A. After being notified of claims, Toyota arranged to have the vehicle inspected by one of its field technicians. The inspection was performed on February 21, 2007 at Toyota of Nashua. After the inspection, Toyota sent me a letter dated March 29, 2007, denying liability because of "substantial undercarriage damage" and "after market wiring." In the letter, Toyota stated that the airbag can deploy only "as a result of forward deceleration of the vehicle or modified wiring." See Attached Appendix B, letter of March 29, 2007 from Carol Hargrave of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.

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Because the vehicle was not in motion when the airbag deployed and there is no undercarriage damage that could cause deployment, it is apparent that Toyota's position is that the unwarranted airbag deployment was caused by the installation of the after market wiring that was part of the remote starter and alarm installation. This "after market wiring" was installed by Toyota of Nashua before took possession of and title to the vehicle, and the cost of the accessory was included in the sale price of the new vehicle as sold and delivered.

On behalf

Settlement pursuant to the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws c.

93A, §9. Given Toyota's position that the after market wiring caused the airbag to deploy, Toyota of Nashua is responsible for injuries and property damage. Please consider this letter formal demand for settlement of personal injury and property damage, and for violation of the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act. The factual basis for claims is set forth below:

On September 24, 2006, who is a 32 year old registered nurse, suffered serious injuries when the driver's side front airbag in the subject vehicle deployed in circumstances clearly contrary to the intended design of the SRS airbag system. After entering the subject vehicle and closing the door, started the car with the ignition key in the usual manner, and the driver's side front-impact airbag deployed without warning while the vehicle transmission was still in "park". The force of the airbag deployment caused a serious fracture of left arm. This incident occurred while was in the driver's seat; her husband Dave was in the right front passenger seat; and both doors were closed. The airbag deployment occurred within seconds of ignition.

The subject vehicle was equipped only with accessories installed by Toyota or Toyota of Nashua; and all service was performed by Toyota of Nashua, which sold the brand-new vehicle to the service was on September 2, 2006, when brought the vehicle in for service because the "check engine" indicator was illuminated. Toyota of Nashua performed service on September 2, 2006 and did not inform Ms.

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The subject vehicle was designed, engineered, manufactured, sold, distributed and/or marketed by Toyota Motor Corporation, a Japanese corporation that sells and markets motor vehicles in the United States by and through Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc. Toyota of Nashua is an authorized Toyota dealer that sells new Toyota automobiles to the general public. In fact, Toyota of Nashua sold the subject vehicle to provided all service throughout the warranty period and beyond.

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August 1, 2007 Toyota of Nashua Re:

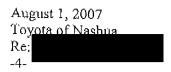
Toyota Motor Corporation and Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc., (collectively, "Toyota"), marketed, advertised and represented that the subject vehicle was equipped with a Supplemental Restraint System that included airbags that Toyota expressly and impliedly represented were reasonably fit and suitable for their ordinary and intended purposes, including proper operation and deployment during an accident under conditions warranting deployment of the airbag. The Owner's Manual, which was published by Toyota and distributed by Toyota of Nashua with the subject vehicle when sold, states that "the SRS (Supplemental Restraint System) front airbags are designed to provide further protection for the driver and front passenger in addition to the primary safety protection provided by the seat belts." The Owner's Manual further states: "In response to a severe frontal impact, the SRS front airbags work together with the seat belts to help reduce injury by inflating," which is described as above a "designed threshold level comparable to an approximate 25 km/h (15 mph) collision when impacting straight into a fixed barrier...."

The subject vehicle's driver's side front airbag did not operate as represented and as intended, in that it deployed at ignition, with the transmission in "park" and no impact whatsoever. The SRS front airbag obviously did not "provide... further protection" and, in fact, inflicted a severe orthopedic injury under foreseeable conditions of use. The subject vehicle and its SRS airbag system, without question, were not reasonably fit for their ordinary and intended purposes, and Toyota of Nashua therefore breached express and implied warranties with respect to the vehicle. Further, under Massachusetts law, a breach of warranty constitutes an unfair and deceptive trade practice in violation of General Laws c. 93A, § 2, which is actionable under General Laws c. 93A, § 9. See Maillet v. ATF-Davidson Company, Inc., 407 Mass. 185, 193 (1990). Under the applicable provisions of c. 93A, an injured plaintiff may be entitled to attorneys' fees and double or treble damages in addition to compensatory damages.

After the airbag deployed on September 24, 2006, was taken to the Emergency Room at Saints Memorial Hospital in Lowell, Massachusetts. She was examined and x-rayed, and it was determined that she had suffered a left ulna fracture. She was treated and discharged home.

transferred her care to the Emerson Hospital in Concord, where she wor	
as a registered Nurse. Her orthopedic care was with Dr. John McInnis of Orthopedia	•
remained in a cast until December 1, 2006. She underwent	
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was required to wear a splint and arm-sling for several months while her free	.+
neared. At present, she continues with home exercises to strengthen her left arm and	orin
She also wears a brace for sleeping, which helps control recurring arm tingling.	e.rp.

In addition to her arm fracture, sustained a facial injury and tinnitus from the impact of the airbag on her face. She suffered from "recurring episodes of facial



parasethesias in the distribution of the left infra-orbital nerve" into late November, months after the unwarranted airbag deployment. Her medical bills are in excess of approximately \$12,000.

For months after the airbag incident, was completely unable to use her arm or lift anything that weighed more than a few ounces. She experienced painful sensations with any attempt to bend her arm at the elbow, and she had neurological tingling sensations on her forearm. She was unable to perform household activities, including such simple tasks as lifting kitchen pans, carrying a laundry basket, or carrying grocery bags.

arm injury resulted in an extended period of impaired and diminished earnings. Who is a Registered Nurse, was employed by the Emerson Hospital as a Visiting Nurse. Her regular duties were to visit and care for patients at their homes, which necessitated driving to each patient's home. Her responsibilities typically included lifting patients while caring for them. Her regular work week was 24 hours, which was based on three 8 hour days, at a pay rate of \$29.57 per hour. She also worked overtime on an as-needed basis. Her average weekly earnings for the year prior to the incident were \$800 based on annual earnings of \$41,599.

As a result of her injuries, was unable to work in any capacity from September 24, 2006 until January 22, 2007, a period of 18 weeks. When she resumed work on January 22, she was able to work part time only, 12 hours per week, with significant restrictions on her work activity. She was not permitted to visit and treat patients; she was given office work only. She worked 12 hours per week until March 22, 2007, a period of 8 weeks, when she resumed her regular 24 hour work-week. Even after resuming a 24 hour work-week, job responsibilities were modified so that she was seeing fewer patients than usual, and efforts were made to assign her to patients who would not require lifting. Based on average earnings of \$800 per week, Ms. estimated lost and impaired earnings, including lost overtime, are approximately \$17,600.

Immediately after the airbag deployment on September 24, 2006, and turned off the ignition. The vehicle remained in place and was not moved or restarted until it was transported to Toyota of Nashua via flatbed on February 21, 2007 for the inspection by Toyota's field technician. After the inspection the vehicle was transported back to home and placed back in the garage—where it remains. Ms.

claim for property damage is for the fair market value of the subject vehicle, which is not drivable and cannot be repaired because it is evidence in her legal claim.

has sustained damages in the amount of the fair market value of the vehicle as it existed before the airbag deployed, which is estimated to be approximately \$9,735.00. Because needs a car to drive to work, she has purchased a new vehicle without recovering insurance for the value of the subject Toyota. She is also now

 August 1, 2007

Toyota of Nashua Re:

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unwilling to repair the vehicle and resume driving it for fear that the airbag may deploy inadvertently again.

I have enclosed the following:

- A. Toyota of Nashua Order and Invoice;
- B. Letter dated March 29, 2007 from Carol Hargrave of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.;
- C. Photographs of the Toyota Camry Solara in the location where the unintended deployment occurred;
- D. The Certificate of Title:
- E. New car "sticker":
- F. The Repair Invoice dated September 2, 2006, which was the last service date.

Based on the foregoing, the plaintiff's demand for settlement is \$9,735.00 for property damage, which represents the fair market value of the subject vehicle before the unwarranted airbag deployment; and \$350,000 for personal injuries. Under Massachusetts General Laws c. 93A, §9, Toyota may be liable for multiple damages and attorneys fees for failure to tender a reasonable offer of settlement within 30 days of this demand.

All communications concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sinderely,

Anthony Tarricone

Enclosures

cc:

Carole A. Hargrave, Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.

Writer's Direct Dial: (310) 468-5027 Writer's Direct Fax: (310) 381-6317

March 29, 2007

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. 1900) South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501 (310) 468-4000

VIA US MAIL

Anthony Tarricone KREINDLER & KREINDLER LLP 277 Dartmouth Street Boston, MA 02116

RE:

Date of Loss: Vehicle:

VIN #:

September 24, 2006 2001 Toyota Solara 2T1CG22P61C

Dear Mr. Tarricone:

This letter is in response to your letter of December 1, 2006 and our follow up telephone conversations in regards to the above referenced incident.

It is our understanding that reported that after she entered the vehicle and closed the door she started the vehicle with the ignition key when the air bag deployed.

As you are aware the vehicle was inspected by one of our field technicians. The results were reviewed by one of our engineers. The inspection and photographs of the vehicle revealed that there was substantial undercarriage damage including the front bumper, cross member, exhaust and flex pipe. We also found after market wiring.

The vehicle is designed with a safeing system. It has a mechanical safeing sensor and an electrical discriminating sensor. When the vehicle is started the system goes through a six to eight second diagnostic check if it detects any mechanical issue the light will stay on and the system will shut down at which time the air bag will not deploy. However if the diagnostic check is completed satisfactory then the only way the air bags will deploy would be as a result of forward deceleration of the vehicle or modified wiring.

201 Toyota Solara March 29, 2007 Page 2

We are very sorry about this most unfortunate incident how ever based on our inspection of the vehicle it is our determination that this incident was not the result of any type of manufacturing defect.

Very truly yours,

Carole A. Hargrave

Claims Manager

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October 2, 2007

Via U.S. Mail

Byron G. Mousmoules, Esq. O'Connor & Associates, LLC 100 State Street, 4th floor Boston, MA 02190-2306 AM. for POMPANY

Re:

v. Toyota of Nashua

Your Claim #

DOL: September 24, 2006

Dear Mr. Mousmoules:

Thank you for your letter of September 25, 2007 concerning the above matter. While I understand your position as stated, I disagree completely and suggest that your client reconsider its position.

From the plaintiff's perspective the case is really quite simple. Started her car and the airbag deployed. Toyota has taken the position that the deployment was caused by the after-market wiring installed by Toyota of Nashua. There is no credible evidence that in any way places any fault on the plaintiff for this incident--including Toyota's suggestion that undercarriage damage was somehow involved, which is a wholly unfounded position. Your client is welcome to inspect the car should it wish to do so.

In our view, the only issue is the amount of damages that provides fair compensation to the plaintiff. If your client and Toyota have serious interest in attempting to resolve the case on this basis, we will defer filing a civil action pending your evaluation of the case and tender of a settlement offer. Otherwise we will proceed with court action.

Pleasa advise me of your client's intentions. Thank you kindly.

Anthony Taricone

cc: Toyota of Nashua

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August 1, 2007

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Carole A. Hargrave Claims Manager Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. Legal Department 19001 Southwestern Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

Re: Claimant:

Date of Injury: September 24, 2006

Demand Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws c.93A

Dear Ms. Hargrave:

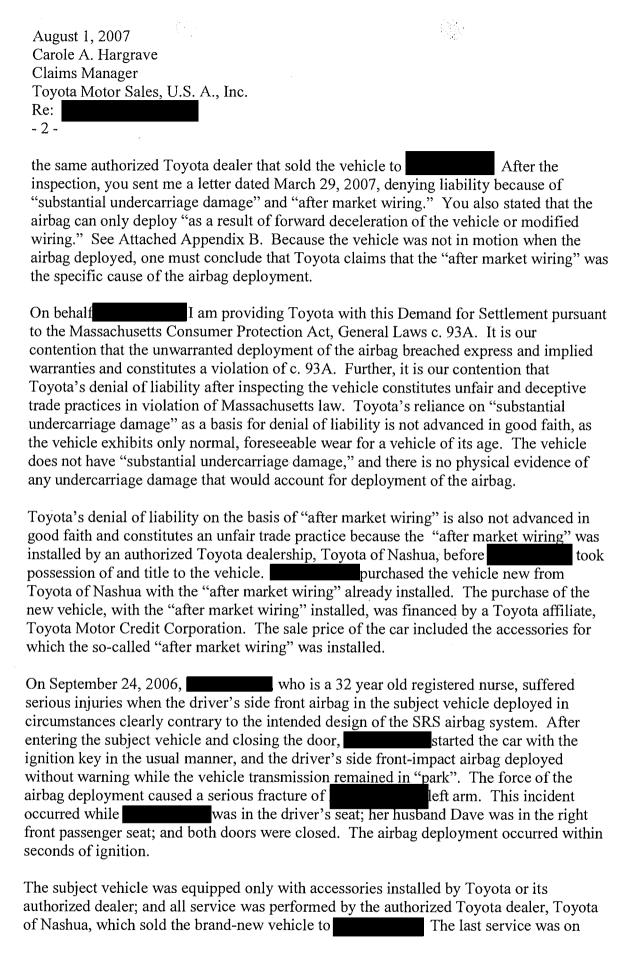
This letter is a formal demand for settlement of claims for personal injury and property damage, and for violation of the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws c. 93A. of Tyngsboro, Massachusetts, As you know, this office represents who was injured when the airbag in her 2001 Toyota Camry Solara deployed without an accident or impact. As previously reported, is the owner of a model year 2001 Toyota Camry Solara, VIN No. 2T1CG22P61C , which she purchased new from an authorized Toyota dealer on July 19, 2001, with financing from Toyota Motor Credit Corporation. On behalf I previously wrote <u>Toyota on December 1</u>, 2006 and requested that Toyota inspect the subject vehicle, pay the fair market value of the vehicle, and arrange to store the vehicle in a secure location pending resolution of her personal injury claim. See Attached Appendix A.

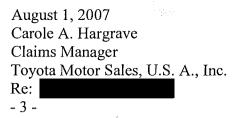
Subsequently, Toyota arranged to have the vehicle inspected by one of its field technicians. The inspection was performed on February 21, 2007 at Toyota of Nashua,

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September 2, 2006, when prought the vehicle in for service because the "check engine" indicator was illuminated. To knowledge, the SRS airbag system had never been serviced, except as part of Toyota-recommended and dealer-performed periodic maintenance.

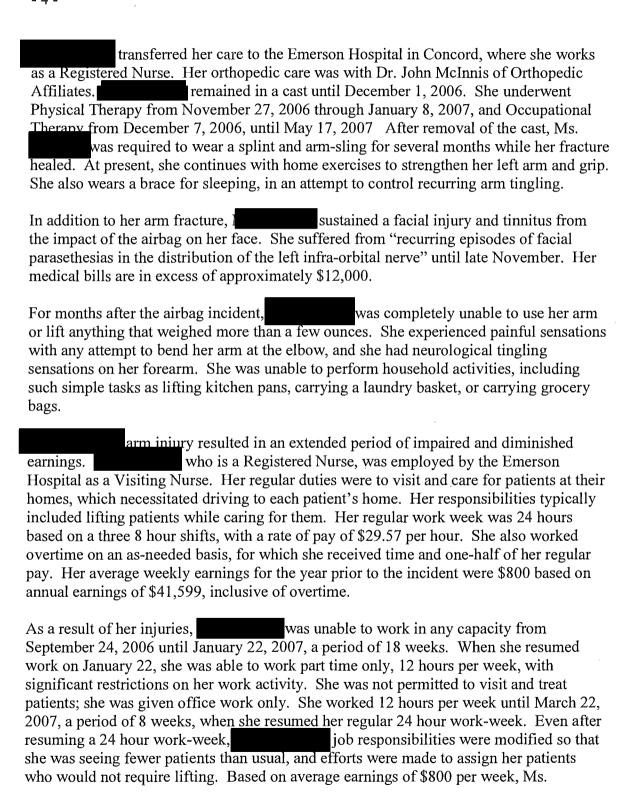
The subject vehicle was designed, engineered, manufactured, sold, distributed and/or marketed by Toyota Motor Corporation, a Japanese corporation that sells and markets motor vehicles in the United States by and through Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. The latter entity is registered as a foreign corporation doing business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Toyota Motor Corporation and Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., (collectively, "Toyota"), marketed, advertised and represented that the subject vehicle was equipped with a Supplemental Restraint System that included airbags that Toyota expressly and impliedly represented were reasonably fit and suitable for their ordinary and intended purposes, including proper operation and deployment during an accident under conditions warranting deployment of the airbag. The Owner's Manual, published and distributed by Toyota with the subject vehicle through its authorized dealer, states that "the SRS (Supplemental Restraint System) front airbags are designed to provide further protection for the driver and front passenger in addition to the primary safety protection provided by the seat belts." The Owner's Manual further states: "In response to a severe frontal impact, the SRS front airbags work together with the seat belts to help reduce injury by inflating," which is described as above a "designed threshold level comparable to an approximate 25 km/h (15 mph) collision when impacting straight into a fixed barrier...."

The subject vehicle's driver's side front airbag did not operate as represented and as intended, in that it deployed at ignition, with the transmission in "park" and no impact whatsoever. The SRS front airbag obviously did not "provide... further protection" and, in fact, inflicted a severe orthopedic injury under foreseeable conditions of use. The subject vehicle and its SRS airbag system, without question, were not reasonably fit for their ordinary and intended purposes, and Toyota therefore breached express and implied warranties with respect to the vehicle. Further, under Massachusetts law, a breach of warranty constitutes an unfair and deceptive trade practice in violation of General Laws c. 93A, § 2, which is actionable under General Laws c. 93A, § 9. See Maillet v. ATF-Davidson Company, Inc., 407 Mass. 185, 193 (1990). Under c. 93A, an injured plaintiff may be entitled to attorneys' fees and double or treble damages in addition to compensatory damages.

After the airbag deployed on September 24, 2006, was taken to the Emergency Room at Saints Memorial Hospital in Lowell, Massachusetts. She was examined and x-rayed, and it was determined that she had suffered a left ulna fracture. She was treated and discharged home.

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estimated lost and impaired earnings, including lost overtime, are approximately \$17,600.

Immediately after the airbag deployment on September 24, 2006, husband turned off the ignition. The vehicle remained in place and was not moved or restarted until it was transported to Toyota of Nashua via flatbed on February 21, 2007 for the inspection by Toyota's field technician. After the inspection, the vehicle was transported home and placed back in the garage—where it remains. Ms. back to l claim for property damage is for the fair market value of the subject vehicle, which is not drivable and cannot be repaired because it is evidence in her legal claim. has sustained damages in the amount of the fair market value of the vehicle as it existed before the airbag deployed, which is estimated to be approximately \$9,735.00. Because needs a car to drive to work, she has purchased a new vehicle without recovering insurance for the value of the subject Toyota. She is also now unwilling to repair the vehicle and resume driving it for fear that the airbag might again deploy inadvertently.

I have enclosed the following:

- A. Letter from plaintiff to Toyota dated December 1, 2006;
- B. Letter dated March 29, 2007 from Carol Hargrave of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.
- C. Toyota of Nashua Order and Invoice;
- D. Photographs of the Toyota Camry Solara in the location where the unintended deployment occurred;
- E. The Certificate of Title; and
- F. New car "sticker".

Based on the foregoing, the plaintiff's demand for settlement is \$9,735.00 for property damage, which represents the fair market value of the subject vehicle before the unwarranted airbag deployment; and \$350,000 for personal injuries. Under Massachusetts General Laws c. 93A, §9, Toyota may be liable for multiple damages and attorneys fees for failure to tender a reasonable offer of settlement within 30 days of this demand.

All communications concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

August 1, 2007 Carole A. Hargrave Claims Manager Toyota Motor Sales, U.S. A., Inc.

Re:

Sincerely,

Anthony Tarricone

Enclosures

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Toyota Motor Corporation

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December 1, 2006

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A, Inc. Legal Department 19001 Southwestern Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

Re: Claimant:
Date of Injury: September 24, 2006

Dear Toyota Representative:

This office represents

personal injury and violation of the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General
Laws c. 93A, in connection with injuries suffered as a result of the unintended
deployment of the driver's side front airbag in a Toyota Camry Solara. Because of the
recent date of this incident and leaves ongoing medical care, the full extent of her
injuries and damages are not known. I am writing with the expectation that, given the
circumstances of this claim, Toyota will agree to compensate for the fair
market value of the subject vehicle; to take whatever action is necessary to download all
available data from the vehicle; and agree to arrange to store the vehicle in a secure
location pending resolution of least and personal injury claim.
is the owner of a model year 2001 Toyota Camry Solara, VIN No.
2T1CG22P61C which she purchased new from an authorized Toyota dealer on
July 19, 2001, with financing from Toyota Motor Credit Corporation. On September 24,
who is a 32 year old registered nurse, suffered serious injuries when
the driver's side front airbag in the subject vehicle deployed in circumstances clearly
contrary to the intended design of the SRS airbag system. After entering the subject
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the vehicle transmission was still in "park". The force of the airbag deployment caused a serious fracture of left arm. This incident occurred while was in the driver's seat; her husband Dave was in the passenger seat; and both doors were closed. The airbag deployment occurred within seconds of ignition.

The subject vehicle was equipped only with accessories installed by Toyota or its authorized dealer; and all service was performed by the authorized Toyota dealer, Toyota of Nashua, which sold the vehicle to the service was on September 2, 2006, when the brought the vehicle in for service because the "check engine" indicator was illuminated. To the knowledge, the SRS airbag system had never been serviced unless part of Toyota-recommended periodic maintenance.

As a result of the unintended deployment of the Toyota Solara's SRS front airbag, suffered a serious fracture of the left arm, for which she is still wearing a rigid fiberglass cast and receiving ongoing medical treatment. She has been unable to resume her work as a Registered Nurse at the Emerson Hospital in Concord, Massachusetts. She has not been able to drive a car since the incident and has been essentially housebound except for medical appointments.

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Immediately after the airbag deployment on September 24, 2006,

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Under	the circumstances, is requesting that:
1.	Toyota arrange to inspect the vehicle and download all available data from the airbag sensor assembly, and from any other sources of data, under conditions acceptable to all parties;
2.	Toyota agree to pay what would have been the fair market value of the vehicle before the airbag deployment, giving due consideration to the condition of the vehicle; and
3.	Toyota remove the vehicle from garage and arrange for its storage in a secure location pending resolution of garage and arrange for its storage

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Because of the recent date of this incident, which is still in active treatment, and the extent of her injuries and damages are not ascertainable. She is not, therefore, in a position to resolve her claim for personal injuries at this time. We would ask, therefore, that Toyota agree to the above proposal and defer until a later date meaningful settlement discussions concerning personal injury claim.

I have enclosed the following:

- 1. Photographs of the Toyota Camry Solara in the location where the unintended deployment occurred;
- 2. The Certificate of Title;
- 3. The new car "sticker"; and
- 4. The Repair Invoice dated September 2, 2006, which was the last service date.

I would appreciate receiving a response to this letter within two weeks of receipt. All communications concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

Anthony Tarricone

Enclosures

cc:



Writer's Direct Dial: (310) 468-5027 Writer's Direct Fax: (310) 381-6317

March 29, 2007

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501 (310) 468-4000

VIA US MAIL

Anthony Tarricone KREINDLER & KREINDLER LLP 277 Dartmouth Street Boston, MA 02116

RE:

Date of Loss:

Vehicle:

VIN #:

September 24, 2006 2001 Toyota Solara

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Dear Mr. Tarricone:

This letter is in response to your letter of December 1, 2006 and our follow up telephone conversations in regards to the above referenced incident.

It is our understanding that reported that after she entered the vehicle and closed the door she started the vehicle with the ignition key when the air bag deployed.

As you are aware the vehicle was inspected by one of our field technicians. The results were reviewed by one of our engineers. The inspection and photographs of the vehicle revealed that there was substantial undercarriage damage including the front bumper, cross member, exhaust and flex pipe. We also found after market wiring.

The vehicle is designed with a safeing system. It has a mechanical safeing sensor and an electrical discriminating sensor. When the vehicle is started the system goes through a six to eight second diagnostic check if it detects any mechanical issue the light will stay on and the system will shut down at which time the air bag will not deploy. However if the diagnostic check is completed satisfactory then the only way the air bags will deploy would be as a result of forward deceleration of the vehicle or modified wiring.

We are very sorry about this most unfortunate incident how ever based on our inspection of the vehicle it is our determination that this incident was not the result of any type of manufacturing defect.

Very truly yours,

Carole A. Hargrave Claims Manager

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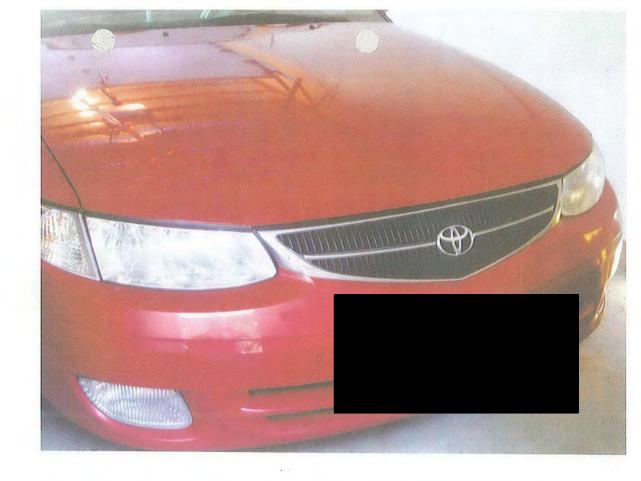
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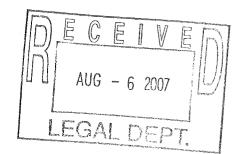
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August 1, 2007

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Carole A. Hargrave Claims Manager Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. Legal Department 19001 Southwestern Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

Re: C

Claimant:

Date of Injury: September 24, 2006

Demand Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws c.93A

Dear Ms. Hargrave:

This letter is a formal demand for settlement of claims for personal injury and property damage, and for violation of the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws c. 93A.

As you know, this office represents of Tyngsboro, Massachusetts, who was injured when the airbag in her 2001 Toyota Camry Solara deployed without an accident or impact. As previously reported, the owner of a model year 2001 Toyota Camry Solara, VIN No. 2T1CG22P61C which she purchased new from an authorized Toyota dealer on July 19, 2001, with financing from Toyota Motor Credit Corporation.

On behalf previously wrote Toyota on December 1, 2006 and requested that Toyota inspect the subject vehicle, pay the fair market value of the vehicle, and arrange to store the vehicle in a secure location pending resolution of her personal injury claim. See Attached Appendix A.

Subsequently, Toyota arranged to have the vehicle inspected by one of its field technicians. The inspection was performed on February 21, 2007 at Toyota of Nashua,

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the same authorized Toyota dealer that sold the vehicle to After the inspection, you sent me a letter dated March 29, 2007, denying liability because of "substantial undercarriage damage" and "after market wiring." You also stated that the airbag can only deploy "as a result of forward deceleration of the vehicle or modified wiring." See Attached Appendix B. Because the vehicle was not in motion when the airbag deployed, one must conclude that Toyota claims that the "after market wiring" was the specific cause of the airbag deployment.

On behalf Laws C. I am providing Toyota with this Demand for Settlement pursuant to the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws c. 93A. It is our contention that the unwarranted deployment of the airbag breached express and implied warranties and constitutes a violation of c. 93A. Further, it is our contention that Toyota's denial of liability after inspecting the vehicle constitutes unfair and deceptive trade practices in violation of Massachusetts law. Toyota's reliance on "substantial undercarriage damage" as a basis for denial of liability is not advanced in good faith, as the vehicle exhibits only normal, foreseeable wear for a vehicle of its age. The vehicle does not have "substantial undercarriage damage," and there is no physical evidence of any undercarriage damage that would account for deployment of the airbag.

Toyota's denial of liability on the basis of "after market wiring" is also not advanced in good faith and constitutes an unfair trade practice because the "after market wiring" was installed by an authorized Toyota dealership, Toyota of Nashua, before took possession of and title to the vehicle.

Toyota of Nashua with the "after market wiring" already installed. The purchase of the new vehicle, with the "after market wiring" installed, was financed by a Toyota affiliate, Toyota Motor Credit Corporation. The sale price of the car included the accessories for which the so-called "after market wiring" was installed.

On September 24, 2006, who is a 32 year old registered nurse, suffered serious injuries when the driver's side front airbag in the subject vehicle deployed in circumstances clearly contrary to the intended design of the SRS airbag system. After entering the subject vehicle and closing the door, tarted the car with the ignition key in the usual manner, and the driver's side front-impact airbag deployed without warning while the vehicle transmission remained in "park". The force of the airbag deployment caused a serious fracture of left arm. This incident occurred while was in the driver's seat; her husband Dave was in the right front passenger seat; and both doors were closed. The airbag deployment occurred within seconds of ignition.

The subject vehicle was equipped only with accessories installed by Toyota or its authorized dealer; and all service was performed by the authorized Toyota dealer, Toyota of Nashua, which sold the brand-new vehicle to the last service was on

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September 2, 2006, when brought the vehicle in for service because the "check engine" indicator was illuminated. To knowledge, the SRS airbag system had never been serviced, except as part of Toyota-recommended and dealer-performed periodic maintenance.

The subject vehicle was designed, engineered, manufactured, sold, distributed and/or marketed by Toyota Motor Corporation, a Japanese corporation that sells and markets motor vehicles in the United States by and through Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. The latter entity is registered as a foreign corporation doing business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Toyota Motor Corporation and Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., (collectively, "Toyota"), marketed, advertised and represented that the subject vehicle was equipped with a Supplemental Restraint System that included airbags that Toyota expressly and impliedly represented were reasonably fit and suitable for their ordinary and intended purposes, including proper operation and deployment during an accident under conditions warranting deployment of the airbag. The Owner's Manual, published and distributed by Toyota with the subject vehicle through its authorized dealer, states that "the SRS (Supplemental Restraint System) front airbags are designed to provide further protection for the driver and front passenger in addition to the primary safety protection provided by the seat belts." The Owner's Manual further states: "In response to a severe frontal impact, the SRS front airbags work together with the seat belts to help reduce injury by inflating," which is described as above a "designed threshold level comparable to an approximate 25 km/h (15 mph) collision when impacting straight into a fixed barrier...."

The subject vehicle's driver's side front airbag did not operate as represented and as intended, in that it deployed at ignition, with the transmission in "park" and no impact whatsoever. The SRS front airbag obviously did not "provide... further protection" and, in fact, inflicted a severe orthopedic injury under foreseeable conditions of use. The subject vehicle and its SRS airbag system, without question, were not reasonably fit for their ordinary and intended purposes, and Toyota therefore breached express and implied warranties with respect to the vehicle. Further, under Massachusetts law, a breach of warranty constitutes an unfair and deceptive trade practice in violation of General Laws c. 93A, § 2, which is actionable under General Laws c. 93A, § 9. See Maillet v. ATF-Davidson Company, Inc., 407 Mass. 185, 193 (1990). Under c. 93A, an injured plaintiff may be entitled to attorneys' fees and double or treble damages in addition to compensatory damages.

After the airbag deployed on September 24, 2006, was taken to the Emergency Room at Saints Memorial Hospital in Lowell, Massachusetts. She was examined and x-rayed, and it was determined that she had suffered a left ulna fracture. She was treated and discharged home.

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transferred her care to the Emerson Hospital in Concord, where she works as a Registered Nurse. Her orthopedic care was with Dr. John McInnis of Orthopedic Affiliates.

Temained in a cast until December 1, 2006. She underwent Physical Therapy from November 27, 2006 through January 8, 2007, and Occupational Therapy from December 7, 2006, until May 17, 2007 After removal of the cast, Ms.

was required to wear a splint and arm-sling for several months while her fracture healed. At present, she continues with home exercises to strengthen her left arm and grip. She also wears a brace for sleeping, in an attempt to control recurring arm tingling.

In addition to her arm fracture, sustained a facial injury and tinnitus from the impact of the airbag on her face. She suffered from "recurring episodes of facial parasethesias in the distribution of the left infra-orbital nerve" until late November. Her medical bills are in excess of approximately \$12,000.

For months after the airbag incident, was completely unable to use her arm or lift anything that weighed more than a few ounces. She experienced painful sensations with any attempt to bend her arm at the elbow, and she had neurological tingling sensations on her forearm. She was unable to perform household activities, including such simple tasks as lifting kitchen pans, carrying a laundry basket, or carrying grocery bags.

arm injury resulted in an extended period of impaired and diminished earnings who is a Registered Nurse, was employed by the Emerson Hospital as a Visiting Nurse. Her regular duties were to visit and care for patients at their homes, which necessitated driving to each patient's home. Her responsibilities typically included lifting patients while caring for them. Her regular work week was 24 hours based on a three 8 hour shifts, with a rate of pay of \$29.57 per hour. She also worked overtime on an as-needed basis, for which she received time and one-half of her regular pay. Her average weekly earnings for the year prior to the incident were \$800 based on annual earnings of \$41,599, inclusive of overtime.

As a result of her injuries, I was unable to work in any capacity from September 24, 2006 until January 22, 2007, a period of 18 weeks. When she resumed work on January 22, she was able to work part time only, 12 hours per week, with significant restrictions on her work activity. She was not permitted to visit and treat patients; she was given office work only. She worked 12 hours per week until March 22, 2007, a period of 8 weeks, when she resumed her regular 24 hour work-week. Even after resuming a 24 hour work-week, job responsibilities were modified so that she was seeing fewer patients than usual, and efforts were made to assign her patients who would not require lifting. Based on average earnings of \$800 per week, Ms.

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estimated lost and impaired earnings, including lost overtime, are approximately \$17,600.

Immediately after the airbag deployment on September 24, 2006, husband turned off the ignition. The vehicle remained in place and was not moved or restarted until it was transported to Toyota of Nashua via flatbed on February 21, 2007 for the inspection by Toyota's field technician. After the inspection, the vehicle was transported home and placed back in the garage—where it remains. Ms. back to claim for property damage is for the fair market value of the subject vehicle, which is not drivable and cannot be repaired because it is evidence in her legal claim. has sustained damages in the amount of the fair market value of the vehicle as it existed before the airbag deployed, which is estimated to be approximately \$9,735.00. Because 1 needs a car to drive to work, she has purchased a new vehicle without recovering insurance for the value of the subject Toyota. She is also now unwilling to repair the vehicle and resume driving it for fear that the airbag might again deploy inadvertently.

I have enclosed the following:

- A. Letter from plaintiff to Toyota dated December 1, 2006;
- B. Letter dated March 29, 2007 from Carol Hargrave of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.
- C. Toyota of Nashua Order and Invoice;
- D. Photographs of the Toyota Camry Solara in the location where the unintended deployment occurred;
- E. The Certificate of Title; and
- F. New car "sticker".

Based on the foregoing, the plaintiff's demand for settlement is \$9,735.00 for property damage, which represents the fair market value of the subject vehicle before the unwarranted airbag deployment; and \$350,000 for personal injuries. Under Massachusetts General Laws c. 93A, §9, Toyota may be liable for multiple damages and attorneys fees for failure to tender a reasonable offer of settlement within 30 days of this demand.

All communications concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

August 1, 2007 Carole A. Hargrave Claims Manager Toyota Motor Sales, U.S. A., Inc.

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Sincerely,

Anthony Tarricone

Enclosures

cc:

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December 1, 2006

<u>VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A, Inc. Legal Department 19001 Southwestern Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

Re: Claimant:

Date of Injury: September 24, 2006

Dear Toyota Representative:

This office represents of Tyngsboro, Massachusetts, in claims for personal injury and violation of the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws c. 93A, in connection with injuries suffered as a result of the unintended deployment of the driver's side front airbag in a Toyota Camry Solara. Because of the recent date of this incident and ongoing medical care, the full extent of her injuries and damages are not known. I am writing with the expectation that, given the circumstances of this claim, Toyota will agree to compensate for the fair market value of the subject vehicle; to take whatever action is necessary to download all available data from the vehicle; and agree to arrange to store the vehicle in a secure location pending resolution of personal injury claim.

is the owner of a model year 2001 Toyota Camry Solara, VIN No. 2T1CG22P61C which she purchased new from an authorized Toyota dealer on July 19, 2001, with financing from Toyota Motor Credit Corporation. On September 24, 2006, who is a 32 year old registered nurse, suffered serious injuries when the driver's side front airbag in the subject vehicle deployed in circumstances clearly contrary to the intended design of the SRS airbag system. After entering the subject vehicle and closing the door, started the car with the ignition key in the usual manner, and the driver's side front-impact airbag deployed without warning while

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As a result of the unintended deployment of the Toyota Solara's SRS front airbag, suffered a serious fracture of the left arm, for which she is still wearing a rigid fiberglass cast and receiving ongoing medical treatment. She has been unable to resume her work as a Registered Nurse at the Emerson Hospital in Concord, Massachusetts. She has not been able to drive a car since the incident and has been essentially housebound except for medical appointments.

The subject vehicle was designed, engineered, manufactured, sold, distributed and/or marketed by Toyota Motor Corporation, a Japanese corporation that sells and markets motor vehicles in the United States by and through Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc. The latter entity is registered as a foreign corporation doing business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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Because of the recent date of this incident, is still in active treatment, and the extent of her injuries and damages are not ascertainable. She is not, therefore, in a position to resolve her claim for personal injuries at this time. We would ask, therefore, that Toyota agree to the above proposal and defer until a later date meaningful settlement discussions concerning personal injury claim.

I have enclosed the following:

- 1. Photographs of the Toyota Camry Solara in the location where the unintended deployment occurred;
- 2. The Certificate of Title;
- 3. The new car "sticker"; and
- 4. The Repair Invoice dated September 2, 2006, which was the last service date.

I would appreciate receiving a response to this letter within two weeks of receipt. All communications concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

Anthony Tarricone

Enclosures

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March 29, 2007

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501 (310) 468-4000

VIA US MAIL

Anthony Tarricone KREINDLER & KREINDLER LLP 277 Dartmouth Street Boston, MA 02116

RE:

Date of Loss:

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VIN #:

September 24, 2006 2001 Toyota Solara

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Dear Mr. Tarricone:

This letter is in response to your letter of December 1, 2006 and our follow up telephone conversations in regards to the above referenced incident.

It is our understanding that reported that after she entered the vehicle and closed the door she started the vehicle with the ignition key when the air bag deployed.

As you are aware the vehicle was inspected by one of our field technicians. The results were reviewed by one of our engineers. The inspection and photographs of the vehicle revealed that there was substantial undercarriage damage including the front bumper, cross member, exhaust and flex pipe. We also found after market wiring.

The vehicle is designed with a safeing system. It has a mechanical safeing sensor and an electrical discriminating sensor. When the vehicle is started the system goes through a six to eight second diagnostic check if it detects any mechanical issue the light will stay on and the system will shut down at which time the air bag will not deploy. However if the diagnostic check is completed satisfactory then the only way the air bags will deploy would be as a result of forward deceleration of the vehicle or modified wiring.

We are very sorry about this most unfortunate incident how ever based on our inspection of the vehicle it is our determination that this incident was not the result of any type of manufacturing defect.

Very truly yours,

Carole A. Hargrave Claims Manager

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.

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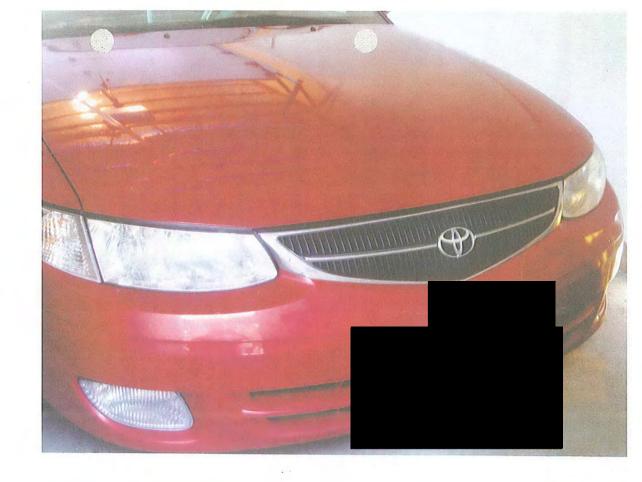
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THE REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES FURTHER CERTIFIES THAT THE VEHICLE IS SUBJECT TO ANY SECURITY INTERESTS SHOWN



Daniel A. Grabauskas Registrar of Motor Vehicles

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ODOMETER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Federal law (and State law, if applicable) requires that you state the mileage upon transfer of ownership. Failure to complete or providing a false statement may result in fines and/or imprisonment. _ state that the odometer now (no tenths) miles and to the best of my knowledge that it reflects reads the actual mileage of the vehicle described below, unless one of the following statements is checked. (1) I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge the odometer reading reflects the amount of mileage in excess of its mechanical limits. I hereby certify that the odometer reading is NOT the actual mileage. WARNING — ODOMETER DISCREPANCY. ATOYOT MAKE BODY SOLARA MODEL **IDENTIFICATION NUMBER** <u>2T1CG22P6</u> 01<u>TOYOTA OF NASHUA</u> TRANSFEROR'S NAME 10 MARMON DR TRANSFEROR'S ADDRESS (STREET) 03060 (STATE) (SIGNATURE) 07/19/01 DATE OF STATEMENT TRANSFEREE'S NAME TRANSFEREE'S ADDRESS (STREET) LOWELI CODE) TRANSFEREE'S NAME PRINTED NAME)

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DUAL COLOR-KEYED POWER REMOTE OUTSIDE MIRRORS

FULL WHEEL COVERS

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

MULTI-ADJUSTABLE FABRIC LINED FRONT BUCKET SEATS

4-WAY ADJUSTABLE FR HEADRESTS 60/40 SPLIT FOLDING REAR SEATS

POWER WINDOWS AND DOOR LOCKS

AIR CONDITIONER - CFC FREE

CRUISE CTRL/RR WNDW DEFOGGER

DUAL FRONT & REAR CUPHOLDERS

CENTER CONSOLE W/STORAGE

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VARIABLE INTERMITTENT WIPERS

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For Comparison Shopping, all vehicles classified as

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have been issued mileage ratings ranging from

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16 to 49 mpg highway.

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PORT/PLANT:

BUFFALO, NEW YORK

Manufacturer's suggested retail price includes manufacturer's recommended pre-delivery service. Gasoline, license and title fees, applicable federal, state and local taxes and dealer and distributor installed options and accessories are not included in the manufacturer's suggested retail price.

CAMRY SOLARA SE 2-DOOR COUPE

VTN:

2T1CG22P610

MODEL/YEAR: 2732C/2001

COLOR: RED FLAME METALLIC /IVORY FABR

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MANUFACTURER'S SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE \$19,765.00 OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

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POWER TILT/SLIDE MOONROOF

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W/MAPLIGHT

8-WAY PWR ADJ DRIVERS SEAT

390.00 1,627.00

SPORT TRIM PCKG INCLUDES: P205/65R15 TIRES,15" ALLOY

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COLOR-KEYED FR & RR MUDGUARDS

RR SPOILER, FLOOR MATS

DELIVERY, PROCESSING AND HANDLING FEE

455.00

SUB-TOTAL BEFORE DISCOUNT

\$23,137.00

EXTRA VALUE PACKAGE MSRP DISCOUNT

-\$700.0

TOTAL

\$22,437.00

TOYOTA'S LIMITED WARRANTY PROVIDES 36 MONTH/36.000 MILE COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE, 5 YEAR/60,000 MILE POWERTRAIN COVERAGE, PLUS 5 YEAR BODY PANEL CORROSION PERFORATION WARRANTY. SEE OWNER'S GUIDE FOR DETAILS.

An extended service contract may be available for this vehicle. Ask dealer for details.

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STANDARD FEATURES

MECHANICAL & PERFORMANCE

- 2.2L 4-CYL, 16-VALVE, TWIN-CAM EFI ENGINE
- FRONT WHEEL DRIVE
- 4-SPEED AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION
- POWER RACK AND PINION STEERING
- 4-WHEEL INDEPENDENT SUSPENSION
- FRONT DISC/REAR DRUM BRAKES
- FRONT & REAR STABILIZER BARS
- 205/65R15 RADIAL TIRES (5)

SAFETY

- DR & FR PASSENGER AIRBAGS(SRS)
- 3-POINT SEAT BELTS WITH ALR/ELR PASSENGER BELTS
- FRONT SEAT BELT PRETENSIONERS & FORCE LIMITERS
- RR CENTER 3-POINT SEAT BELT
- SIDE IMPACT DOOR BEAMS

EXTERIOR

- AUTO-OFF HALOGEN HEADLAMPS
- INTEGRATED FRONT FOG LAMPS
- SOLAR ENERGY ABSORBING GLASS

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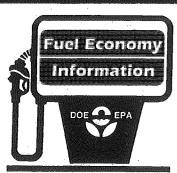
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19 and 27 mpg in the city, and between

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2001 CAMRY SOLARA 4-CYL., 2.2 LITER DISP., DOHC, EFI ENGINE. 4-SPEED ECT AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION.

Estimated Annual Fuel Cost:

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SHIP TO:

PORT/PLANT:

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August 1, 2007

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Toyota of Nashua 10 Marmon Drive New England Auto Village Nashua, NH 03060

Re: Cla

Claimant:

Date of Injury: September 24, 2006

Demand Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws c.93A

Dear Toyota of Nashua Representative:

This letter is a formal demand pursuant to the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws c. 93A.

This office represents of Tyngsboro, Massachusetts, who was injured when the airbag in her 2001 Toyota Camry Solara deployed without an accident or impact. Is the owner of a model year 2001 Toyota Camry Solara, VIN No. 2T1CG22P61C which she purchased new from Toyota of Nashua on July 19, 2001, with financing from Toyota Motor Credit Corporation. Toyota of Nashua sold the vehicle to with a combination remote starter and car alarm, which was installed by Toyota of Nashua before delivery of the new vehicle. See Attached Appendix A, Toyota of Nashua Order and Invoice.

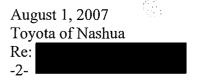
initially asserted legal claims against Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc. and Toyota Motor Corporation (collectively "Toyota"), for personal injuries, property damage, and violation of the Massachusetts Consumer Protection Act, General Laws Chapter 93A. After being notified of claims, Toyota arranged to have the vehicle inspected by one of its field technicians. The inspection was performed on February 21, 2007 at Toyota of Nashua. After the inspection, Toyota sent me a letter dated March 29, 2007, denying liability because of "substantial undercarriage damage" and "after market wiring." In the letter, Toyota stated that the airbag can deploy only "as a result of forward deceleration of the vehicle or modified wiring." See Attached Appendix B, letter of March 29, 2007 from Carol Hargrave of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.

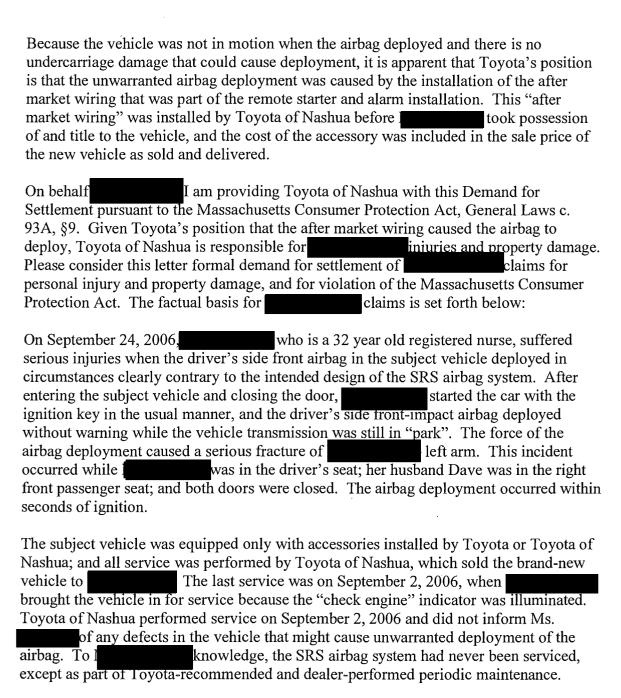
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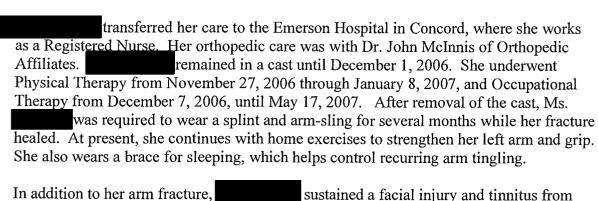
The subject vehicle was designed, engineered, manufactured, sold, distributed and/or marketed by Toyota Motor Corporation, a Japanese corporation that sells and markets motor vehicles in the United States by and through Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc. Toyota of Nashua is an authorized Toyota dealer that sells new Toyota automobiles to the general public. In fact, Toyota of Nashua sold the subject vehicle to and provided all service throughout the warranty period and beyond.

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Toyota of Nashua	
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Toyota Motor Corporation and Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc., (collectively, "Toyota"), marketed, advertised and represented that the subject vehicle was equipped with a Supplemental Restraint System that included airbags that Toyota expressly and impliedly represented were reasonably fit and suitable for their ordinary and intended purposes, including proper operation and deployment during an accident under conditions warranting deployment of the airbag. The Owner's Manual, which was published by Toyota and distributed by Toyota of Nashua with the subject vehicle when sold, states that "the SRS (Supplemental Restraint System) front airbags are designed to provide further protection for the driver and front passenger in addition to the primary safety protection provided by the seat belts." The Owner's Manual further states: "In response to a severe frontal impact, the SRS front airbags work together with the seat belts to help reduce injury by inflating," which is described as above a "designed threshold level comparable to an approximate 25 km/h (15 mph) collision when impacting straight into a fixed barrier...."

The subject vehicle's driver's side front airbag did not operate as represented and as intended, in that it deployed at ignition, with the transmission in "park" and no impact whatsoever. The SRS front airbag obviously did not "provide... further protection" and, in fact, inflicted a severe orthopedic injury under foreseeable conditions of use. The subject vehicle and its SRS airbag system, without question, were not reasonably fit for their ordinary and intended purposes, and Toyota of Nashua therefore breached express and implied warranties with respect to the vehicle. Further, under Massachusetts law, a breach of warranty constitutes an unfair and deceptive trade practice in violation of General Laws c. 93A, § 2, which is actionable under General Laws c. 93A, § 9. See Maillet v. ATF-Davidson Company, Inc., 407 Mass. 185, 193 (1990). Under the applicable provisions of c. 93A, an injured plaintiff may be entitled to attorneys' fees and double or treble damages in addition to compensatory damages.

After the airbag deployed on September 24, 2006, was taken to the Emergency Room at Saints Memorial Hospital in Lowell, Massachusetts. She was examined and x-rayed, and it was determined that she had suffered a left ulna fracture. She was treated and discharged home.



the impact of the airbag on her face. She suffered from "recurring episodes of facial

August 1, 2007	
Toyota of Nashua	
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parasethesias in the distribution of the left infra-orbital nerve" into late November, months after the unwarranted airbag deployment. Her medical bills are in excess of approximately \$12,000.

For months after the airbag incident, was completely unable to use her arm or lift anything that weighed more than a few ounces. She experienced painful sensations with any attempt to bend her arm at the elbow, and she had neurological tingling sensations on her forearm. She was unable to perform household activities, including such simple tasks as lifting kitchen pans, carrying a laundry basket, or carrying grocery bags.

arm injury resulted in an extended period of impaired and diminished earnings. Who is a Registered Nurse, was employed by the Emerson Hospital as a Visiting Nurse. Her regular duties were to visit and care for patients at their homes, which necessitated driving to each patient's home. Her responsibilities typically included lifting patients while caring for them. Her regular work week was 24 hours, which was based on three 8 hour days, at a pay rate of \$29.57 per hour. She also worked overtime on an as-needed basis. Her average weekly earnings for the year prior to the incident were \$800 based on annual earnings of \$41,599.

As a result of her injuries, was unable to work in any capacity from September 24, 2006 until January 22, 2007, a period of 18 weeks. When she resumed work on January 22, she was able to work part time only, 12 hours per week, with significant restrictions on her work activity. She was not permitted to visit and treat patients; she was given office work only. She worked 12 hours per week until March 22, 2007, a period of 8 weeks, when she resumed her regular 24 hour work-week. Even after resuming a 24 hour work-week, she was seeing fewer patients than usual, and efforts were made to assign her to patients who would not require lifting. Based on average earnings of \$800 per week, Ms.

estimated lost and impaired earnings, including lost overtime, are approximately \$17,600.

Immediately after the airbag deployment on September 24, 2006, husband turned off the ignition. The vehicle remained in place and was not moved or restarted until it was transported to Toyota of Nashua via flatbed on February 21, 2007 for the inspection by Toyota's field technician. After the inspection the vehicle was transported back to home and placed back in the garage—where it remains. Ms.

claim for property damage is for the fair market value of the subject vehicle, which is not drivable and cannot be repaired because it is evidence in her legal claim.

has sustained damages in the amount of the fair market value of the vehicle as it existed before the airbag deployed, which is estimated to be approximately

\$9,735.00. Because needs a car to drive to work, she has purchased a new vehicle without recovering insurance for the value of the subject Toyota. She is also now

unwilling to repair the vehicle and resume driving it for fear that the airbag may deploy inadvertently again.

I have enclosed the following:

- A. Toyota of Nashua Order and Invoice;
- B. Letter dated March 29, 2007 from Carol Hargrave of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.;
- C. Photographs of the Toyota Camry Solara in the location where the unintended deployment occurred;
- D. The Certificate of Title;
- E. New car "sticker";
- F. The Repair Invoice dated September 2, 2006, which was the last service date.

Based on the foregoing, the plaintiff's demand for settlement is \$9,735.00 for property damage, which represents the fair market value of the subject vehicle before the unwarranted airbag deployment; and \$350,000 for personal injuries. Under Massachusetts General Laws c. 93A, §9, Toyota may be liable for multiple damages and attorneys fees for failure to tender a reasonable offer of settlement within 30 days of this demand.

All communications concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sin¢erely,

Anthony Tarricone

Enclosures

cc:

Carole A. Hargrave, Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.



Writer's Direct Dial: (310) 468-5027 Writer's Direct Fax: (310) 381-6317

March 29, 2007

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90501 (310) 468-4000

VIA US MAIL

Anthony Tarricone KREINDLER & KREINDLER LLP 277 Dartmouth Street Boston, MA 02116

RE:

Date of Loss:

Vehicle:

VIN #:

September 24, 2006

2001 Toyota Solara 2T1CG22P61C

Dear Mr. Tarricone:

This letter is in response to your letter of December 1, 2006 and our follow up telephone conversations in regards to the above referenced incident.

It is our understanding that reported that after she entered the vehicle and closed the door she started the vehicle with the ignition key when the air bag deployed.

As you are aware the vehicle was inspected by one of our field technicians. The results were reviewed by one of our engineers. The inspection and photographs of the vehicle revealed that there was substantial undercarriage damage including the front bumper, cross member, exhaust and flex pipe. We also found after market wiring.

The vehicle is designed with a safeing system. It has a mechanical safeing sensor and an electrical discriminating sensor. When the vehicle is started the system goes through a six to eight second diagnostic check if it detects any mechanical issue the light will stay on and the system will shut down at which time the air bag will not deploy. However if the diagnostic check is completed satisfactory then the only way the air bags will deploy would be as a result of forward deceleration of the vehicle or modified wiring.

We are very sorry about this most unfortunate incident how ever based on our inspection of the vehicle it is our determination that this incident was not the result of any type of manufacturing defect.

Very truly yours,

Carole A. Hargrave Claims Manager

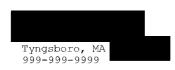
Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.

Case Report - 200701170727

Customer/Caller Summary:

Customer Name/Address:

Caller Phone: Caller Alt. Phone:



Case Summary:

Case Title:

Product; FCRP; Air Bags- Front; Deploy

Case Type: Priority
Contact Method: Phone
Cust Attitude: Concerned
Coding Type: Complaint
Category: Product
Problem Area: FCRP
Component: Air Bags-

Component: Air Bags~ Front Condition: Deploy

VIN: 2TlCG22P61C Dofu: 07/23/2001

Current Miles: 0
Incident Miles: 0
Model Year: 2001
Model Name: Solara
Region: Boston

District: 0

Dealer 1: Boston Region, 20088 Selling Dealer: Toyota Of Nashua, 28009

Case History:

Caller Seeks:

Inspect veh, receive fair market value for the veh & toy to store the veh

pending resolution

CAC Stated:

Cust attorney to be contacted w/in 3 bus days.

*** PHONE LOG 01/17/2007 10:51:43 AM SMoore

Letter from claims dept. Cust attorney, anthony tarricone, 617-424-9100, sts 9-24-06, cust started veh and driver's air bag deployed, causing serious injuries. Claims rep, c. hargrave, requests region perform a fcrp inspection.

*** NOTES 01/17/2007 10:53:39 AM SMoore

Per legal rep, c. hargrave, cust having veh towed to indep. Sts factory rep will need to contact cust attorney to make inspection arrangements. NCR forwarded email/letter, from cust attorney to rcr. c. ringer. Only attorney is to be contacted.

*** NOTES 01/18/2007 09:48:11 AM CRinger170

RCR called cust attorney Anthony Tarricone and left msg to c/b to setup an inspection date. RCR is now waiting for c/b.

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TO:

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FR:

Carole Hargrave

DATE:

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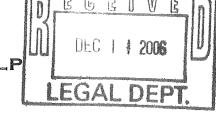
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Make, Model, Model Year: 01 Solara	Letter from Attorney
VIN: 2T1CG22P61C	66
Incident: 9/24/06	66
Component((s) Air Bag	66
Did the incident involve a fire? No	66
Did the incident involve a rollover? No	66
State of Incident: MA	66
Number of deaths:	- 66
Number of persons claiming reportable injuries:	66
Number of incidents of property damage: o	66

^{*}e.g.: Complaint, Police Report, Conversation w/plaintiff's attorney, etc.



277 DARTMOUTH STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116
TELEPHONE: (617) 424-9100
FAX: (617) 424-9120



December 1, 2006

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL/ RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A, Inc. Legal Department 19001 Southwestern Avenue Torrance, CA 90501

Re: Claimant:

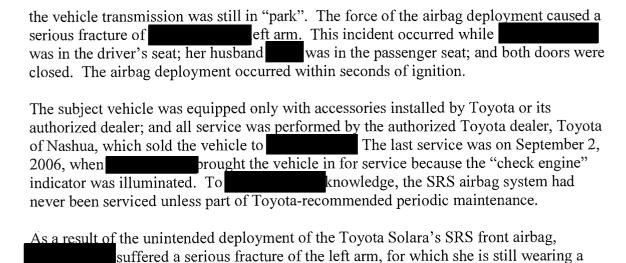
Date of Injury: September 24, 2006

Dear Toyota Representative:

This office represents	of Tyngsboro, Massachusetts, in claims for
personal injury and violation of the Massa	achusetts Consumer Protection Act, General
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recent date of this incident and	ongoing medical care, the full extent of her
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circumstances of this claim, Toyota will a	agree to compensate for the fair
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location pending resolution of	personal injury claim.
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Massachusetts.



The subject vehicle was designed, engineered, manufactured, sold, distributed and/or marketed by Toyota Motor Corporation, a Japanese corporation that sells and markets motor vehicles in the United States by and through Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc. The latter entity is registered as a foreign corporation doing business in the Commonwealth of

rigid fiberglass cast and receiving ongoing medical treatment. She has been unable to

Massachusetts. She has not been able to drive a car since the incident and has been

resume her work as a Registered Nurse at the Emerson Hospital in Concord,

essentially housebound except for medical appointments.

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passenger in addition to the primary safety protection provided by the seat belts." The Owner's Manual further states: "In response to a severe frontal impact, the SRS front airbags work together with the seat belts to help reduce injury by inflating," which is described as above a "designed threshold level comparable to an approximate 25 km/h (15 mph) collision when impacting straight into a fixed barrier...."

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urned emair ncide	off the ignition. The vehicle has not been moved or restarted since then. It garage in the precise location where the incident occurred. The not is not covered by automobile insurance policy because it did not
	from a collision. While she needs a car to commute to work when she is medically d to do so, she is afraid of driving the subject vehicle, even if repaired.
Under	the circumstances, is requesting that:
1.	Toyota arrange to inspect the vehicle and download all available data from the airbag sensor assembly, and from any other sources of data, under conditions acceptable to all parties;
2.	Toyota agree to pay what would have been the fair market value of the vehicle before the airbag deployment, giving due consideration to the condition of the vehicle; and
3.	Toyota remove the vehicle from garage and arrange for its storage in a secure location pending resolution of personal injury claim.

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Because of the recent date of this incident, so still in active treatment, and the extent of her injuries and damages are not ascertainable. She is not, therefore, in a position to resolve her claim for personal injuries at this time. We would ask, therefore, that Toyota agree to the above proposal and defer until a later date meaningful settlement discussions concerning leaves to be some personal injury claim.

I have enclosed the following:

- 1. Photographs of the Toyota Camry Solara in the location where the unintended deployment occurred;
- 2. The Certificate of Title;
- 3. The new car "sticker"; and
- 4. The Repair Invoice dated September 2, 2006, which was the last service date.

I would appreciate receiving a response to this letter within two weeks of receipt. All communications concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

Anthony Tarricone

Enclosures

cc:





THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

TITLE NU	MBER	VEHICLE IDENT	IFICATION NUMBER	DATE	OF ISSUE
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OWNER(S) NAME AND ADDRESS:

LOWELL, MA 01852-

FIRST LIENHOLDER:

TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP 2 HIGHWOOD DR SUITE 204 TEWKSBURY, MA 01876

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TITLE MESSAGE(S):

SECOND LIENHOLDER:

RELEASE OF FIRST LIEN:
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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

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DATE RELEASED:

RELEASE OF SECOND LIEN:
THE SECOND LIEN-HOLDER'S INTEREST IN THE VEHICLE
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NAME:

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

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DATE RELEASED:

THE REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT AN APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR THE MOTOR VEHICLE DESCRIBED HEREIN HAS BEEN DULY FILED, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, BASED ON THE STATEMENTS OF THE APPLICANT AND THE RECORDS ON FILE WITH THIS AGENCY, THE APPLICANT NAMED IS THE OWNER OF SAID VEHICLE.

THE REGISTRAR OF MOTOR VEHICLES FURTHER CERTIFIES THAT THE VEHICLE IS SUBJECT TO ANY SECURITY INTERESTS SHOWN HEREIN.



Daniel A. Grabauskas
Registrar of Motor Vehicles

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- DUAL COLOR-KEYED POWER REMOTE OUTSIDE MIRRORS
- **FULL WHEEL COVERS**

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

- MULTI-ADJUSTABLE FABRIC LINED FRONT BUCKET SEATS
 - 4-WAY ADJUSTABLE FR HEADRESTS
 - 60/40 SPLIT FOLDING REAR SEATS POWER WINDOWS AND DOOR LOCKS
 - AIR CONDITIONER CFC FREE
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stimated Annual Fuel Cost: \$ 780

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have been issued mileage ratings ranging from

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16 to 49 mpg highway.

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CAMRY SOLARA SE 2-DOOR COUPE

2T1CG22P61C

MODEL/YEAR: 2732C/2001 (03N5/00)

COLOR:

RED FLAME METALLIC /IVORY FABR

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POWER TILT/SLIDE MOONROOF

900.00

W/MAPLIGHT

8-WAY PWR ADJ DRIVERS SEAT SPORT TRIM PCKG INCLUDES:

390.00 1,627.00

P205/65R15 TIRES,15" ALLOY WHEELS, KEYLESS ENTRY, JBL

AM/FM/CASS/CD W/8 SPKRS, COLOR-KEYED FR & RR MUDGUARDS

RR SPOILER.FLOOR MATS

DELIVERY, PROCESSING AND HANDLING FEE

455.00

SUB-TOTAL BEFORE DISCOUNT

\$23,137.00

EXTRA VALUE PACKAGE MSRP DISCOUNT

-\$700.0

TOTAL

\$22,437.00

TOYOTA'S LIMITED WARRANTY PROVIDES 36 MONTH/36,000 MILE COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE, 5 YEAR/60,000 MILE POWERTRAIN COVERAGE, PLUS 5 YEAR BODY PANEL CORROSION PERFORATION SEE OWNER'S GUIDE FOR DETAILS.

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STANDARD FEATURES

MECHANICAL & PERFORMANCE

- 2.2L 4-CYL, 16-VALVE, TWIN-CAM EFI ENGINE
- FRONT WHEEL DRIVE
- 4-SPEED AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION
- POWER RACK AND PINION STEERING
- 4-WHEEL INDEPENDENT SUSPENSION
- FRONT DISC/REAR DRUM BRAKES
- FRONT & REAR STABILIZER BARS
- 205/65R15 RADIAL TIRES (5)

SAFETY

- DR & FR PASSENGER AIRBAGS(SRS)
- 3-POINT SEAT BELTS WITH ALR/ELR PASSENGER BELTS
- FRONT SEAT BELT PRETENSIONERS & FORCE LIMITERS
- RR CENTER 3-POINT SEAT BELT
- SIDE IMPACT DOOR BEAMS

EXTERIOR

- AUTO-OFF HALOGEN HEADLAMPS
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- SOLAR ENERGY ABSORBING GLASS

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19 and 27 mpg in the city, and between

27 and 37 mpg on the highway.



2001 CAMRY SOLARA 4-CYL., 2.2 LITER DISP., DOHC, EFI ENGINE. 4-SPEED ECT AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION.

Estimated Annual Fuel Cost:

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