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Re: NHTSA EA14-002 Kia Sorento Sunroofs

Dear Mr. Yon and Ms. Kolodziej:

Enclosed is Mazda Motor Corporation's (Mazda) response to the information request for EA14-002 dated April 14, 2016.

The attached reply responds by first stating each question, then providing our response.

If you have any questions, please let me know. My telephone number is 202-467-5093 and my e-mail address is drobotson@mazdausa.com

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Mazda Response: NHTSA Inquiry EA14-002

Mazda has prepared this response to EA14-002 after a thorough search for the information requested and has made every effort to provide thorough and accurate information to support this information request.

The answers to your questions are set forth below. In accordance to your request, the question is first cited, with the response directly following its question.

Mazda has based the scope of this search on the following criteria

Subject vehicles: All 2006 MY through 2016 MY vehicles manufactured by Mazda for sale in the United States.

Subject component: Panoramic sunroof

Alleged defect: Optional sunroofs shattering unexpectedly

Request 1 *Describe the history of panoramic sunroofs in the vehicles you manufacture. Your response should include, but not be limited to, the reason(s) you decided to add panoramic sunroofs as an option, the model(s) and model year for which you first offered this option, and the timeline of the development and decision-making that led to the introduction of panoramic sunroofs.*

Request 2 *Identify and enumerate the total population of vehicles you manufactured that contain a panoramic sunroof as original equipment. Your response should be broken down by make, model, and model year.*

Request 3 *For each panoramic sunroof identified in your Response to Request No.2, provide the following information: (i) the name and contact information for the sunroof manufacturer; (ii) the number of glass panels; (iii) the size of the glass panels(s) (length x width in centimeters); (iv) the thickness of the glass panel(s) (millimeters); and (v) the standard to which the sunroof was manufactured. Your response should include an explanation of any changes made between models and model years.*

Response 3

Not applicable, see Response 1 above

Request 4 *Identify, by make, model, and model year, the number of incidents involving an allegation that a panoramic sunroof has spontaneously shattered, and state the number of injuries or fatalities associated with such incidents.*

Request 5 *File a report of every incident involving an allegation that a panoramic sunroof has shattered spontaneously in a vehicle manufactured by you, of which you are aware by any means (including but not limited to consumer complaints, lawsuits, and media reports). The report shall include the following information: (i) the date on which you were first notified or learned of the incident; (ii) the name of the individual involved in the incident; (iii) the contract information for counsel representing that individual (if applicable); (iv) the make, model, and model year of the vehicles; (v) the vehicle identification number (VIN); (vi) the date, location, and description of the incident (including whether the vehicle was stationary or in motion when the incident occurred); (vii) the number and description of any injuries or fatalities; (viii) a summary of your current understanding as to the nature of the incident and/or the cause of the breakage (including whether a rock or other item of road debris was found); and (ix) a summary of any other information relevant to your investigation of the incident. Your report should be in the format attached as Exhibit A.*

Response 5

Not applicable, see response 1 above