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**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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Mr. Wayne and Mrs. Lora DeVries  
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NVS-212

Dear Mr. and Mrs. DeVries:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your June 14, 2014 letter to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation (ODI). Your letter states: "We hereby petition NHTSA to hold a hearing on whether this manufacturer has reasonably met its obligation to notify and/or remedy a safety defect or noncompliance with a federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard." Your petition request is in reference to your model year (MY) 2005 Chrysler Crossfire vehicle in which the convertible top back glass separated from its adhesive bond to the convertible top material. Although Chrysler extended the vehicle warranty to 10 years and/or 100,000 miles (whichever is first) in certain states, your vehicle is not in a covered state and not eligible for the extended warranty.

Part 557 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), establishes the procedures for conducting a hearing to determine whether a manufacturer has reasonably met its obligation to notify owners of a safety related defect and provide a remedy for that defect. Before NHTSA can hold such a hearing, a determination that a defect exists must be made either by the manufacturer or the Agency. Because a safety related defect has not been determined regarding the convertible top glass in the MY 2005 Crossfire vehicles, ODI is interpreting your request as a Defect Petition.

In accordance with Title 49 CFR Part 522, Petitions for Rulemaking, Defects, and Noncompliance Orders," NHTSA will conduct a review of the petition and other information and decide whether to open a formal investigation to determine if a safety related defect exists in your vehicle. We will notify you upon completion of that review. A copy of the opening resume is attached for your information.

Sincerely,

Otto Matheke, Acting Director  
Office of Defects Investigation

Enclosure: DP15-003 Opening Resume





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