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From: Wesley Brackett
To: Seymour, Nate (NHTSA)
Subject: Re: PE15-034
Date: Monday, January 25, 2016 5:58:13 PM

Nate,
We will get this information for you. I may need to call you because I'm not sure I understand some of your question.
Thanks,
Wes

On Jan 22, 2016, at 11:50 AM, <Nate.Seymour@dot.gov> <Nate.Seymour@dot.gov> wrote:

> Wes,
>
> I have looked through the Information Request Response (IRR). It is very concise, and a little sparse. The questions were not restated before each response and the source and date the information was gathered was not included as the IR instructed. I will assume data was gathered January 11, 2016 unless you tell me otherwise.
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> I have the following remaining questions:
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> **Q1** asked Bear to state by make, model, and model year the population for the subject and peer vehicles.
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> I found 231 unique models. The total population of both subject and peer vehicles was 4,852 and the Subject vehicle population was 2,338.
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> The trailer identified in the VOQ was a BJ 66-18 G model. There were 350 of these built.
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> Let me know if you agree with these numbers.
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> **Q7** A copy of the warranty statement was not received. Please submit the attachment as referenced in the IRR.
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> **Q8** asked:
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> <!--[if !supportLists]-->1. <!--[endif]-->"Describe all assessments, analyses, tests, test results, studies, surveys, simulations, investigations, inquiries and/or evaluations (collectively, "actions") that relate to, or may relate to, the alleged defect in the subject and peer vehicles that have been conducted, are being conducted, are planned, or are being planned by, or for, Bear. For each such action, provide the following information:
> <!--[if !supportLists]-->a. <!--[endif]-->Action title or identifier;

<!--[if !supportLists]-->b. <!--[endif]-->The actual or planned start date;
<!--[if !supportLists]-->c. <!--[endif]-->The actual or expected end date;
<!--[if !supportLists]-->d. <!--[endif]-->Brief summary of the subject and objective of the action;
<!--[if !supportLists]-->e. <!--[endif]-->Engineering group(s)/supplier(s) responsible for designing and for conducting the action; and
<!--[if !supportLists]-->f. <!--[endif]-->A brief summary of the findings and/or conclusions resulting from the action.

For each action identified, provide copies of all documents related to the action, regardless of whether the documents are in interim, draft, or final form. Organize the documents chronologically by action."

Please provide a summary and documentation related to the prototype mileage testing.

Q9 Please submit a copy of the engineering drawings for the subject component. This was not received.

Q11 Bear reference a "possible accident" involving the trailer identified in the VOQ (VIN 41YEB2013A1[redacted]) If available please provide insurance documents to support this claim. If not available please provide contact information for the vehicle's insurance company. Please provide a Police Accident Report (PAR) if one was generated. Please provide all owner(s) contact information for unit involved (phone and/or email).

Please provide this information no later than February 3, 2016.

Thank you,

Nate Seymour
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From: Bear Trailer (Moss) [mailto:smoss@beartrailer.com]
Sent: Monday, January 11, 2016 4:24 PM
To: Seymour, Nate (NHTSA)
Subject: RE: PE15-034

Nate,

Please find attached the information requested regarding this investigation.

Thanks,

Sharon

From: Nate.Seymour@dot.gov [mailto:Nate.Seymour@dot.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 2:21 PM
To: info@beartrailer.com
Subject: FW: RE-SENT: Information Request related to Investigation #PE15-034

Dave,

Here's the Information Request letter that was returned.

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From: McMahon, Mary Kay (NHTSA)
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To: TRACYH@YMAIL.COM
Cc: Seymour, Nate (NHTSA); York, Bruce (NHTSA)
Subject: RE-SENT: Information Request related to Investigation #PE15-034

Mrs. Stowe,

This email supersedes the previous email regarding the Information Request related to Investigation #PE15-034. In this updated email, attached please find the information request related to Investigation #PE15-034, and related enclosures.

Thank you,

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