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U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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NEF-101cl
PE20-009

Dear Mr. [redacted]:

This letter is to notify you that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation (ODI) has granted your December 16, 2016 defect petition in which you requested the investigation of certain vehicles manufactured by General Motors (GM) and covered in GM Bulletin 14232 (including your 2012 Equinox).

After review of your petition (ODI 10919921), the GM Bulletin referenced above, and available field data, NHTSA has opened a defect investigation, Preliminary Evaluation (PE20-009), which will formally evaluate the scope and hazard of the power steering conditions reported in your petition.

Please find enclosed the Opening Resume for PE20-009.

Should you have questions please contact Christopher Lash of my staff at (202) 366-2370.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Ridella

Stephen A. Ridella, PhD
Director
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Enclosure:
PE20-009 Opening Resume