

**CERTIFICATE IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST  
FOR CONFIDENTIALITY**

I, Adrian Diaz, pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR Part 512, state as follows:

1. I am Assistant Director, Global Automotive Safety Compliance, Automotive Safety Office, and I am authorized by Ford Motor Company ("Ford") to execute this certificate on its behalf;
2. I certify that the information contained in the documents attached to Ford's letter to NHTSA's Office of the Chief Counsel dated September 28, 2022 is confidential and proprietary data and is being submitted with the claim that it is entitled to confidential treatment under 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(4);
3. I hereby request that the information contained in the indicated documents be protected permanently;
4. This certification is based on information provided by the responsible Ford personnel who have authority in the normal course of business to release the type of information for which a claim of confidentiality has been made to ascertain whether such information has ever been released outside Ford;
5. Based upon such inquiries, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the information for which Ford has claimed confidential treatment has never been released or become available outside Ford except as hereinafter specified:
  - a. Portions of these documents may be shared with Ford suppliers with the expectation that they will be kept confidential.
  - b. During the course of defending itself in litigation, Ford may have been, or may be required to produce such information subject to a protective order or pursuant to a legal request.
6. I make no representations beyond those contained in this certificate and, in particular, I make no representations as to whether this information may become available outside Ford because of unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure, except as stated in Paragraph 5; and
7. I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.

