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Subject: EA22-001 - Audi 4.0L Turbocharger (NEF1011k)
Response - Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Dear Dr. Ridella:

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Please find enclosed Volkswagen's response to EA22-001, dated May 09, 2022, requesting information concerning allegations of engine stall due to turbo failure induced by oil starvation caused by a clogged oil strainer for the following subject and peer vehicles: 2013-2018 Model Year (MY) Audi A8, S6, S7, S8 and RS7 models.

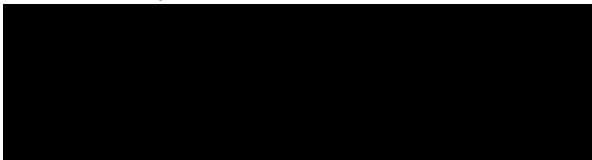
Volkswagen notes that in the enclosed response, peer vehicles are limited to model years 2017 and 2018, due to the end of production of the EA824 4.0L turbocharged engine.

Beginning with model year 2019, the successor EA825 4.0L turbocharged engine did not incorporate an oil strainer and therefore is outside the scope of this inquiry.

For convenience, each request is restated verbatim and then followed by our response.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this response.

Sincerely,



Christopher T. Sandvig
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Enclosures