

Request for Confidential Treatment of Documents

Tab	Document Type	Document Description	Reason for Confidential Treatment
	14 D	Studies by Ford Motor Company in an effort to determine the root cause of the alleged defect which is the basis of this investigation, the steps taken by suppliers or Ford to resolve the underlying issues.	Information concerning the internal process by which Ford and its suppliers study and resolve issues communicated to Ford by its customers is commercially sensitive information developed at the expense of Ford, and could be used by competitors to improve their own products and processes without the need to invest the substantial resources invested by Ford.
	Critical Concern Review Group (CCRG)	Documents generated by the CCRG containing information regarding potential critical product concerns or potential compliance concerns.	Information concerning Ford's confidential business practices concerning methods for recognizing, determining root cause, preventing future concerns, and other commercially sensitive information concerning Ford's internal business processes was developed at the expense of Ford, and could be used by competitors to improve their own products and processes without the need to invest the substantial resources invested by Ford.
	Cost	Documents reflecting Ford Motor Company financial information.	Information concerning the financial impact to Ford of the underlying issue that could be used by competitors to identify quality issues and modify competitive strategies to the detriment of Ford
	Engineering Design Specifications	Internal Ford Motor Company document containing necessary information to be used by Ford and its suppliers to produce or evaluate parts which are usually issued in conjunction with engineering drawings during the design and development of its vehicles.	Information concerning Ford's engineering design processes could be used by competitors to develop or improve their own products and processes without the need to invest the substantial resources invested by Ford.
	Root Cause Analysis	Internal studies by Ford Motor Company engineers, or on behalf of Ford Motor Company by a third party vendor or supplier conducted in an effort to determine the root cause of the alleged defect which is the basis of this investigation.	Information concerning assessments and evaluations conducted by suppliers or Ford could be used by competitors to improve or modify their products, processes, or supplier base without the need to invest the substantial resources invested by Ford to develop the information.
	Supplier Capabilities / Relationship	Internal Ford Motor Company documents discussing its opinions of suppliers' capabilities and performance.	Information concerning business relationships between Ford and suppliers could be used by competitors to identify and/or modify competitive strategies and strategic supplier partnerships without the need to invest the substantial resources invested by Ford.
	Test Results / Reports / Analysis	Documents reflecting the results of engineering testing conducted by Ford Motor Company, or on behalf of Ford Motor Company by a third party vendor or supplier.	Information concerning or revealing Ford's testing programs, including test requests, specifications and results could be used by competitors to improve their own products and processes without the need to invest the substantial resources invested by Ford.
	Supplier 8D	Studies by Ford Motor Company suppliers in an effort to determine the root cause of the alleged defect which is the basis of this investigation.	Information concerning the internal process by which Ford and its suppliers study and resolve issues communicated to Ford by its customers is commercially sensitive information developed at the expense of Ford, and could be used by competitors to improve their own products and processes without the need to invest the substantial resources invested by Ford.
	Supplier Manufacturing Process Studies	Internal studies by Ford Motor Company engineers, or on behalf of Ford Motor Company by a third party vendor or supplier conducted in an effort to improve Ford's manufacturing process, or to determine the root cause of the alleged defect which is the basis of this investigation.	Information concerning Ford's manufacturing processes could be used by competitors to develop or improve their own products and processes without the need to invest the substantial resources invested by Ford.
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