

Request 2

State the number of each of the following, received by Ford, or of which Ford is otherwise aware, which relate to, or may relate to, the alleged defect in the subject and peer vehicles:

- a. Consumer complaints, including those from fleet operators;
- b. Field reports, including dealer field reports;
- c. Reports involving a crash, injury or fatality;
- d. Reports involving a fire;
- e. Property damage claims;
- f. Third-party arbitration proceedings, both pending and closed, where Ford is or was a party to the arbitration; and
- g. Lawsuits, both pending and closed, in which Ford is or was a defendant or codefendant.

For subparts "a" through "g," state the total number of each item (e.g., consumer complaints, field reports, etc.) separately. Multiple incidents involving the same vehicle are to be counted separately. Multiple reports of the same incident are also to be counted separately (i.e., a consumer complaint and a field report involving the same incident in which a crash occurred are to be counted as a crash report, a field report and a consumer complaint).

In addition, for items "c" through "g," provide a summary description of the alleged problem and causal and contributing factors and Ford's assessment of the problem, with a summary of the significant underlying facts and evidence. For items "f" and "g," identify the parties to the action, as well as the caption, court, docket number, and date on which the complaint or other document initiating the action was filed.

Answer

For purposes of identifying reports of incidents that may be related to the alleged defect and any related documents, Ford has gathered "owner reports" and "field reports" maintained by Ford Customer Service Division (FCSD) and claim and lawsuit information maintained by Ford's Office of the General Counsel (OGC).

The requested number of items identified in searches for the alleged defect are provided in file "PE24-014 Request 2 - Figure 1."

The following categorizations were used in the review of reports located in each of these searches:

Category	Definition
A	Secondary fuel filter housing breach which results in a fuel leak. Secondary fuel filter crack, seam leak, pinhole leak, ambiguous leak, or fuel filter port break / crack.
A1	Potential or alleged secondary fuel filter housing related report with an alleged fire starting in the engine compartment.
B	Ambiguous fuel filter housing breach which results in a fuel leak (unclear if leak was at the secondary fuel filter or primary fuel filter)

B1	Ambiguous fuel leak related report with an alleged fire starting in the engine compartment.
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Owner Reports: Records identified in a search of the Global Contact Center Technology (GCCT) database, as described in Ford's response to Request 4, were reviewed for relevance and sorted in accordance with the categories described above. The relevant owner reports identified in this search for the alleged defect are provided in the GCCT portion of the database contained in Ford's response to Request 3. The categorization of each report is identified in the "Category" field.

When we were able to identify that responsive (i.e., not ambiguous) duplicate owner reports for an alleged incident were received, each of these duplicate reports was marked accordingly, and the group counted as one report. In other cases, certain vehicles may have experienced more than one incident and have more than one report associated with their VINs. These reports have been counted separately.

Field Reports: Records identified in a search of the Common Quality Indicator System (CQIS) database, as described in Ford's response to Request 4, were reviewed for relevance and sorted in accordance with the categories described above. The relevant field reports identified in this search for the alleged defect are provided in the CQIS portion of the database contained in Ford's response to Request 3. The categorization of each report is identified in the "Category" field.

When duplicate field reports for an alleged incident were received, each of these duplicate reports was marked accordingly, and the group counted as one report. In other cases, certain vehicles may have experienced more than one incident and have more than one report associated with their VINs. These reports have been counted separately.

VOQ Data: Of the twenty-seven (27) VOQs provided by the agency in the Information Request, twenty-two (22) have provided full 17-digit Vehicle Identification Numbers (VINs). For the VOQs where the full VIN is not reported, Ford is unable to search its databases for corresponding reports. Ford was unable to find any additional corresponding reports for seven (7) VOQs that would make them responsive to this investigation and they are therefore not included in this response.

Claims, Lawsuits, and Arbitrations: For purposes of identifying incidents that may relate to the alleged defect in a subject or peer vehicle, Ford has gathered claim and lawsuit information maintained by Ford's OGC. Ford's OGC is responsible for handling various legal matters, including product liability lawsuits, claims, and consumer breach of warranty lawsuits and arbitrations against the Company.

Lawsuits and claims gathered in this manner were reviewed for relevance and categorized in accordance with the categories described above.

We are providing the requested detailed information, where available, for the responsive and ambiguous lawsuits and claims in our Log of Lawsuits and Claims, provided in Ford's response to Request 3. The number of relevant lawsuits and claims identified is also provided in this log. To the extent available, copies of complaints or first notices relating to matters shown on the log are provided in Ford's response to Request 4. To the extent available, GCCT reports related to the matter on the log are provided in Ford's responses to Requests 3

and 4. Regarding these lawsuits and claims, Ford has not contacted outside law firms to obtain additional documentation.

Crash/Injury/Fatality/Fire/Property Damage Incident Claims: Ford identified no reports of fatality and two (2) reports of physical injury pertaining to the alleged defect in the subject vehicles (categorized as A1 as defined above). Additionally, Ford found two (2) reports of a crash, 139 reports of fire, and 127 property damage A1 reports potentially pertaining to the alleged defect in subject vehicles.