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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Mr. Chris Tinto Vice President Technical and Regulatory Affairs Toyota Motor North America, Inc. 601 13th St NW, Suite 910 South Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tinto:

This will acknowledge receipt of your October 5, 2005 appeal of the denial of your June 30, 2005 petition submitted on behalf of Toyota Motor North America, Inc., seeking an exemption from the notification and remedy requirements of 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301 on the basis that a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 225 is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety.

You will be notified of our decision to grant or deny your appeal.

Sincerely,

Ronald L. Medford Senior Associate Administrator for Vehicle Safety