From: <u>Guerriero, Tim</u>

To: Ansley, Alexander (NHTSA)
Subject: RE: Ford Fuel Line Recall Inquiry
Date: Wednesday, July 25, 2012 3:17:16 PM

Mr. Ansley

TI Automotive has reviewed its products and process operations globally and has not identified any other original equipment vehicle manufacturer (OEM) or company to whom TI Automotive sells a same or similar fuel supply assembly (i.e. one utilizing PB 432 nylon tube and a steel barbed Eaton pulsation damper assembly) as that produced by TI Automotive for the 1.6L GDTI Eco Boost engine used in the 2013 Ford Escape and its regional variations.

TI Automotive has not been informed by any other OEM customers of TI Automotive fuel supply assemblies of any recent incidents similar to those reported by Ford Motor Company in connection with the 2013 Ford Escape.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

TMG

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Subject: RE: Ford Fuel Line Recall Inquiry

Mr. Guerriero,

Good afternoon. Is there any further update on the Escape recall? Is TI Automotive still reviewing the issue?

Alex Ansley

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To: Ansley, Alexander (NHTSA)

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Alex

Thank you for your inquiry. Our initial view is that the issue in regard to the 2013 Ford Escape vehicles is specific to the Ford application. However, TI Automotive is currently reviewing all aspects of the issue in cooperation with Ford in order to come to a final view shortly. I am traveling today but upon my return to the office tomorrow I will provide a further update.

Regards tmg

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Subject: Ford Fuel Line Recall Inquiry

Mr. Guerriero,

Good morning. Ford notified us yesterday of a defect it found in certain 2013 Ford Escape vehicles that contain damaged engine compartment fuel lines. I've attached a copy of Ford's report.

Ford noted that TI Group Automotive Systems supplied these fuel supply assemblies that were damaged during manufacture. We are contacting you to learn if any other vehicle manufacturers received the same or similar equipment.

Did TI Group Automotive Systems sell these same or similar fuel supply assemblies to any other vehicle manufacturer or company that might re-sell them to another vehicle manufacturer?

Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

Alex Ansley

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