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BY UPS AND EMAIL (troy.stewart@dot.gov)

Troy Stewart
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Office of Defects Investigation
U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE.
Washington, DC

Re: Recall No. 17V622

Dear Mr. Stewart:

MAHLE Behr Troy Inc. ("MAHLE") is sending this letter in response to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's request that MAHLE confirm the information it provided during November 3, 2017 conference call regarding the MAHLE auxiliary heaters identified in the defect notification submitted by Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. in the above-referenced recall.

This will confirm that MAHLE's German affiliate, MAHLE Behr GmbH & Co. KG, supplied the auxiliary heaters identified in VW's defect notice exclusively to Volkswagen Group (Germany). To the best of our knowledge (based upon discussions with VW), these parts were shipped into the U.S. as original equipment only in the Audi vehicles identified in VW's defect notification and as OE service parts. MAHLE did not sell them in the independent aftermarket.

Please let us know if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

Kevin Herlan

Director of R&D North America

MAHLE Behr Troy Inc.