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Michael Kido
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Re: Freedom of Information Act request

Dear Mr. Kido:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request, dated May 13, 1999, for:

The complete set of documents provided by Paul Sheridan to NHTSA during a meeting between NHTSA representatives and Sheridan on April 11, 1995 concerning the Chrysler Minivan liftgate latch investigation.

Materials responsive to your request can be obtained from the public file for EA94-005 in the agency's Technical Information Services Division (TIS). If you want to obtain copies of these materials you may contact the TIS by visiting, calling or writing NHTSA, Room 5108, 400 Seventh St., SW, Washington, D.C. 20590 (telephone number 202-366-2768) and identifying the reference number. TIS personnel will determine the fees to be charged under 49 C.F.R. Part 7, based upon the volume of material that you may select for duplication. Please note that certain portions of this information have been withheld pursuant to Exemption 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §552 (b)(6), because their release would cause an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. In addition, certain portions of this information have been withheld pursuant to Exemption 4 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(4), because their release would cause substantial competitive harm to Chrysler.

I am the person responsible for this decision. If you wish to appeal, you may do so by writing the Associate Administrator for Administration, NHTSA, 400 Seventh Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20590. An appeal must be submitted within 30



days after you receive this determination. It should contain any information and argument upon which you rely. The decision of the Associate Administrator will be administratively final.

Sincerely,



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