

New Information Request (IR) Response Submission Process Using Integrated SDI – CBI Portals

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IR Response: Acceptable File Types

Icon	File Type	File Extension
۲	PDF	.pdf
B	IMAGE	.jpg, .jpeg, .png, .tif
4)	AUDIO	.wav, .mp3
1	VIDEO	.avi, .mov, .mpeg, .mpg, .mp4, .wmv
X	EXCEL	.xls, .xlsx
W	WORD	.doc, .docx
CSV	CSV	.CSV
P	POWER POINT	.ppt, .pptx
	TEXT RTF	.txt, .rft
9	DATA BASE	.accdb
/>	HTML	.html

NOTE: (1) .Zip files are prohibited. (2) Each file uploaded can not exceed 5 GB in size.

Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (1 of 14)

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1. SDI manufacturer primary and secondary users will receive an email with a hyperlink to let them know they have something new to review in the SDI Portal.

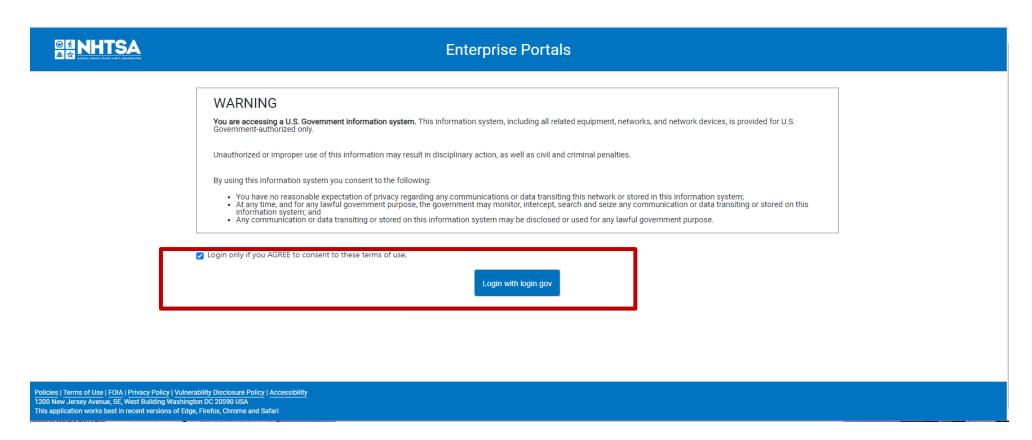
Office: < Division Chief Phone Number>

- Email will contain Investigation Id number
- Email will contain a https://portal.nhtsa.gov hyperlink, which the manufacturer can click on to access the NHTSA Enterprise Portals login screen.

Subject: New Communication in Safety Defect Investigations Portal for < Investigation Id> From: NHTSA-ODI-Communication@service.govdelivery.com Sent: <Date Timestamp> To: < Mfr Investigation Contact> Investigation Id: <Investigation Id> There is a new communication for Investigation <Investigation Id> in your NHTSA ODI Safety Defect review. To log into your SDI portal account, use the following link https://portal.nhtsa.gov If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to <Investigator name > for any technical questions and me for all others. Also, after you have reviewed the communication, if you would like to have a meeting to clarify any of the information or requests, please let me know. Thank you for your support and cooperation. Regards, <Division Chief Name> Division Chief - < Division> <Division Chief Email> Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590 Email: < Division Chief email>

Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (3 of 14)

- To access and review the IR, login to the NHTSA Enterprise Portals.
 - a. Read the Login WARNING.
 - b. Check the Login only if you AGREE to consent to these terms of use box.
 - c. Click Login with login.gov button.



Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (4 of 14)

3. Once on the NHTSA Enterprise Portals landing page, select the Safety Defect Investigations (SDI) tile to enter the SDI portal and access your Investigation Dashboard.



NOTE: Users will automatically be given access to the **Confidential Business Information** portal when they are given access to the SDI portal; however, access to the CBI portal does not guarantee access to the SDI portal.

Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (5 of 14)

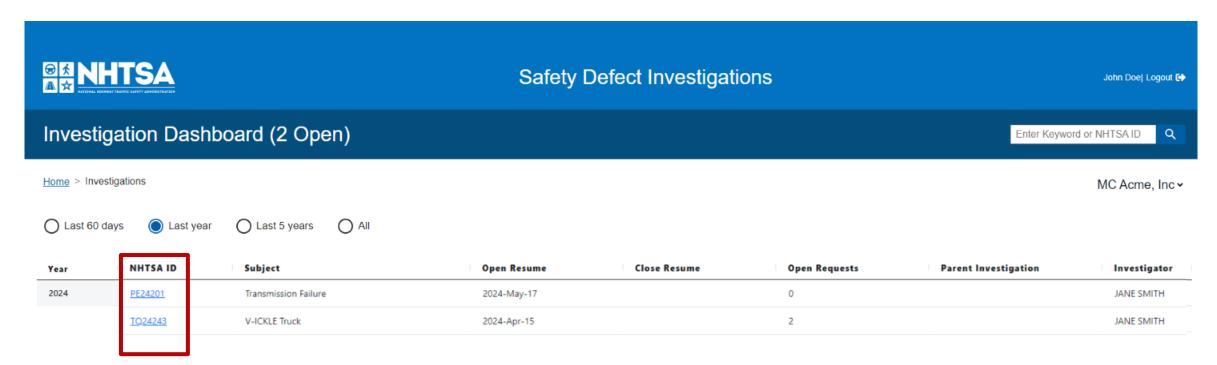
4. In their **Investigation Dashboard**, select the desired manufacturer from the **Manufacturer** dropdown list in the upper right corner of the **Investigation Dashboard** Header.



NOTE: Only manufacturers associated with the user's account will appear in the manufacturer drop-down list.

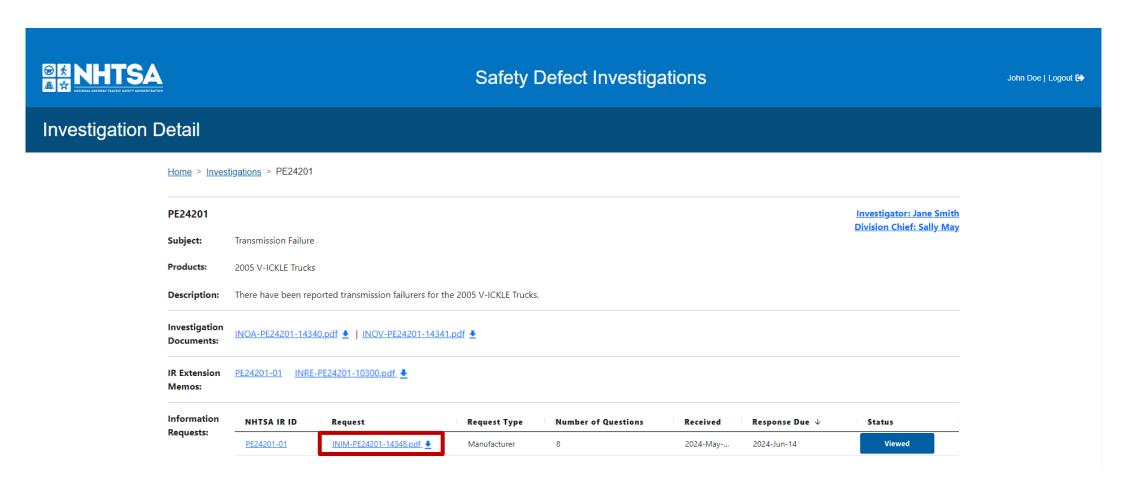
Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (6 of 14)

5. Once the manufacturer has been selected, click on the desired **NHTSA ID** hyperlink to open the **Investigation Detail** page for the investigation selected.



Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (7 of 14)

- 6. To review the IR letter, in the Investigation Detail page, click on the desired Information Requests
 - Request hyperlink.



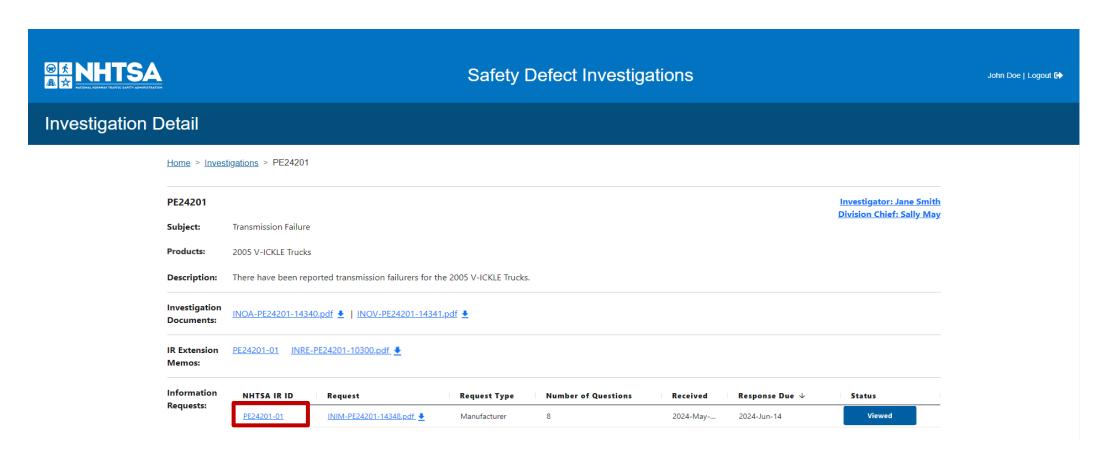
Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (8 of 14)

NOTE: As the manufacturer views the IR letter and uploads and submits its IR Response, the **Information Requests -** *Status* will reflect one of the following statuses.

IR Status	Description
Not Started	The Not Started status is the default status automatically assigned when the IR
Not Started	record is created in SDI before the IR Letter hyperlink is selected.
Viewed	The Viewed status indicates that the IR Letter hyperlink has been opened, but
Viewed	no IR Response data has been uploaded and/or submitted for the specified IR.
In Duaguage	The In Progress status indicates that at least one file has been uploaded to the
In Progress	IR Response page for the specified IR.
Commiste	The Completed status indicates that the user has uploaded and submitted all
Complete	IR Response files in the SDI for the specified IR.

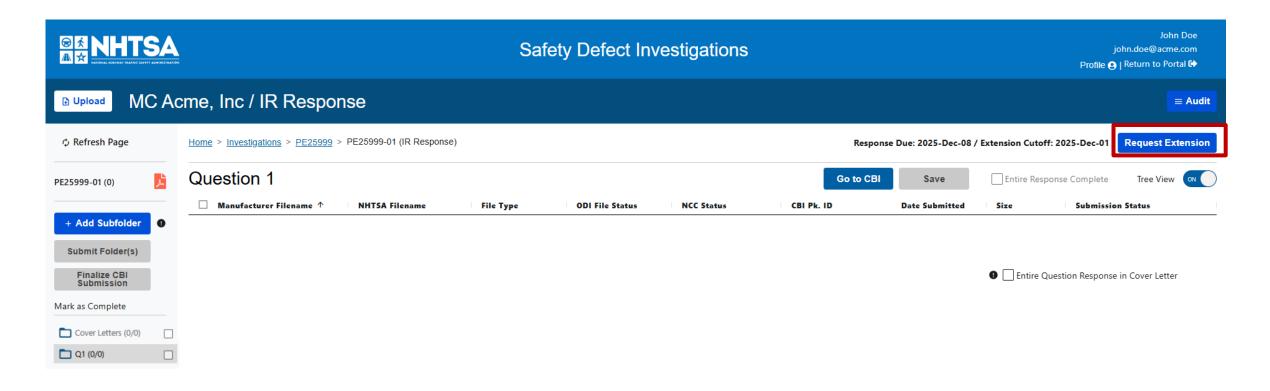
Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (9 of 14)

 To access the IR response folders, in the Investigation Detail page, click on the desired Information Requests – NHTSA IR ID hyperlink.



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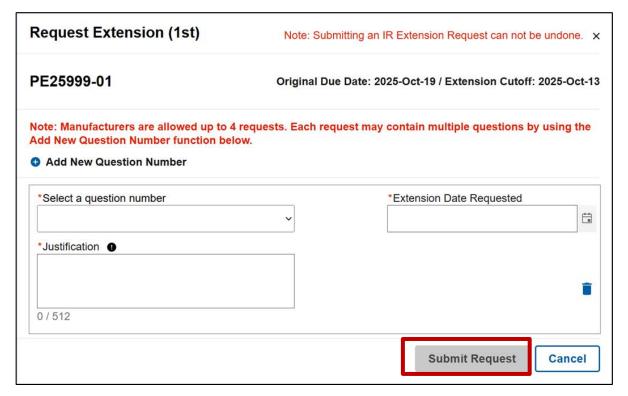
- 8. To request an IR Response extension, in the Manufacturer/ IR Response page:
 - a. Click on the Request Extension button in the upper right corner of the page.



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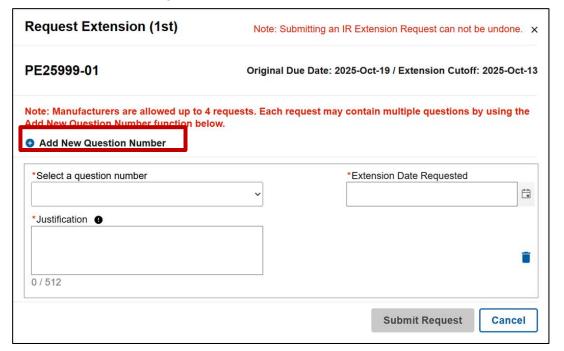
b. Complete the fields within the **Request Extension** window for each question number for which you are requesting and extension and then click the **Submit Request** button to submit your

request.



Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (12 of 14)

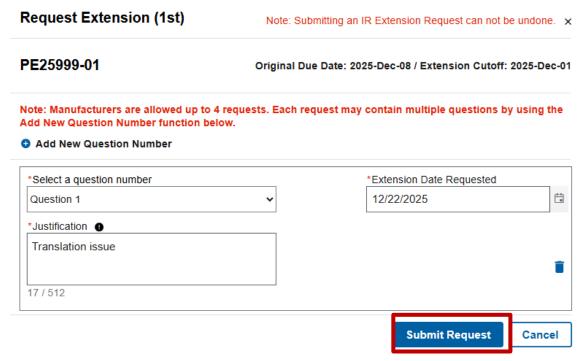
c. To add a new question number to your request, click the **Add New Question Number** button and then complete all the required fields.



NOTE: You will need to add a **New Question Number** for each question requiring an extension even if the dates being requested are the same.

Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (13 of 14)

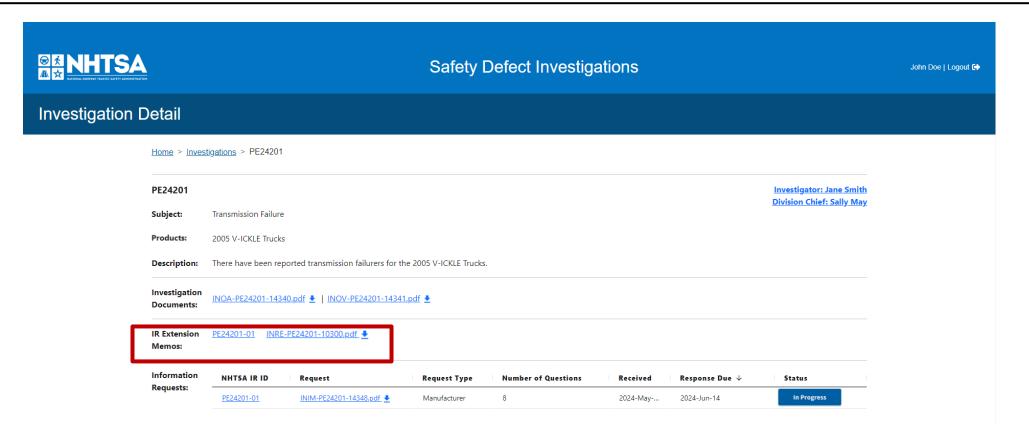
d. When you are done completing the information for each question, click the **Submit Request** button.



NOTE: You will need to add a **New Question Number** for each question requiring an extension even if the dates being requested are the same. You are allowed up to 4 IR Response extension requests for a given investigation.

Review IR Letter and Request Extension, if Needed (14 of 14)

NOTE: Once your extension request is reviewed and approved by ODI, you will get an email notification and can review the .pdf IR Extension memo and data pane using the hyperlinks in the **Investigation Detail** page – **IR Extension Memos** section.



Upload Files into IR Response Folders (1 of 9)

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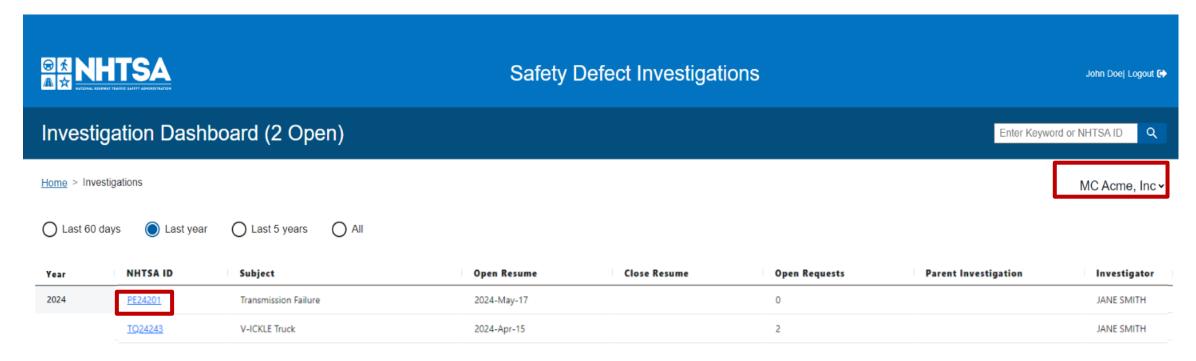
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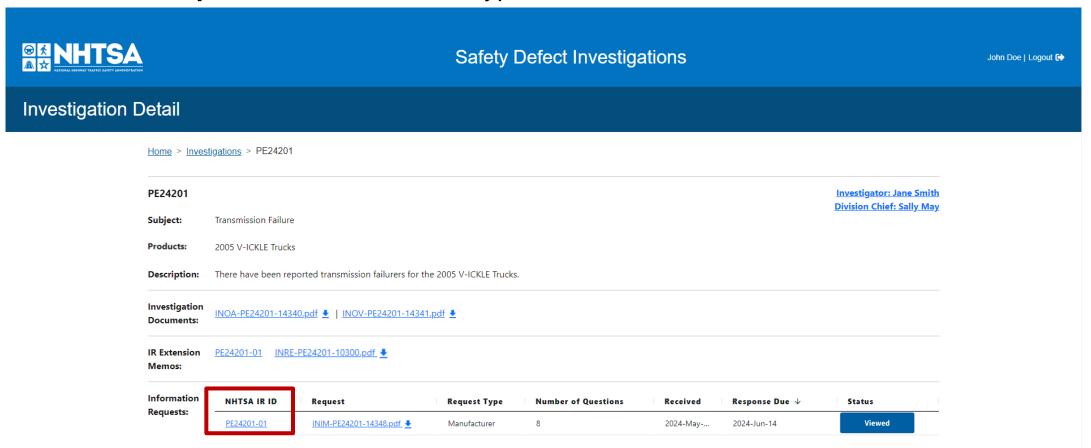
1. In their **Investigation Dashboard**, select the desired manufacturer from the **Manufacturer** dropdown list and then click on the **NHTSA ID** hyperlink desired.



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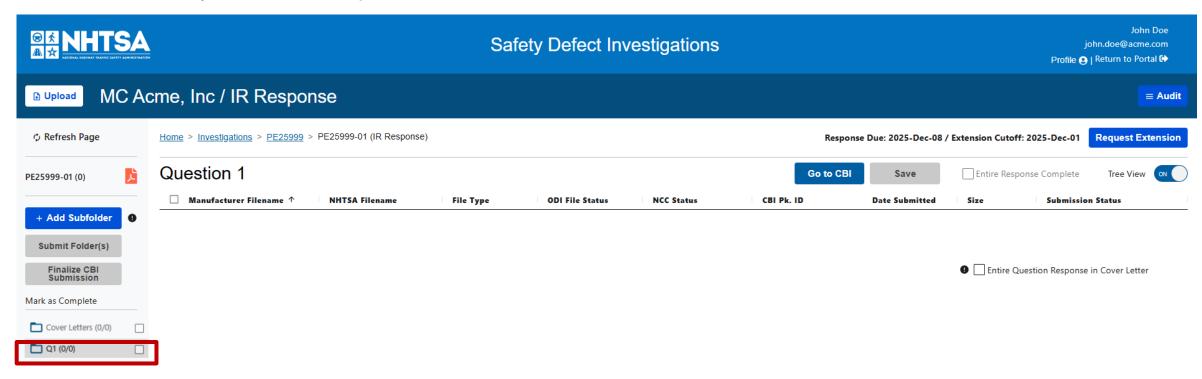
Upload Files into IR Response Folders (3 of 9)

2. To access the IR response folders, in the **Investigation Detail page**, click on the desired **Information Requests** – **NHTSA IR ID** hyperlink.



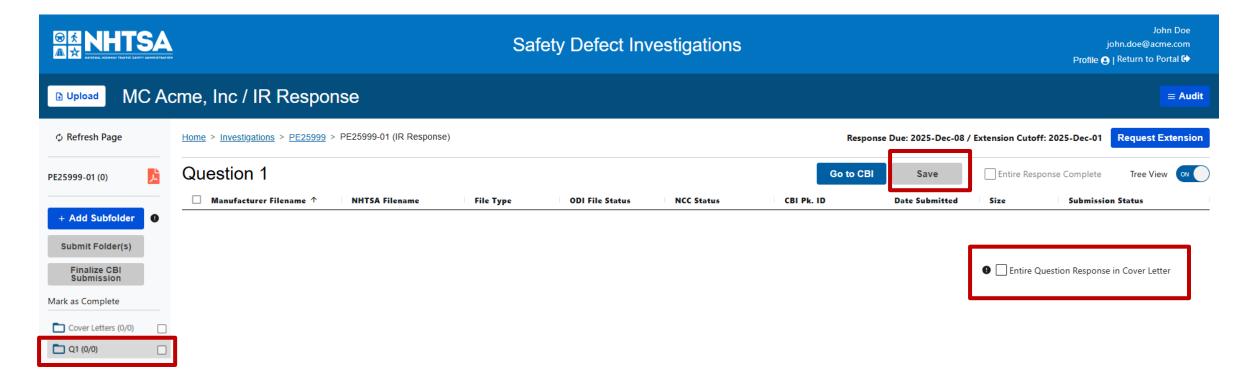
Upload Files into IR Response Folders (4 of 9)

3. To upload files to an IR response folder, in the **Manufacturer/ IR response** page, click on the folder for which you want to upload files.



Upload Files into IR Response Folders (5 of 9)

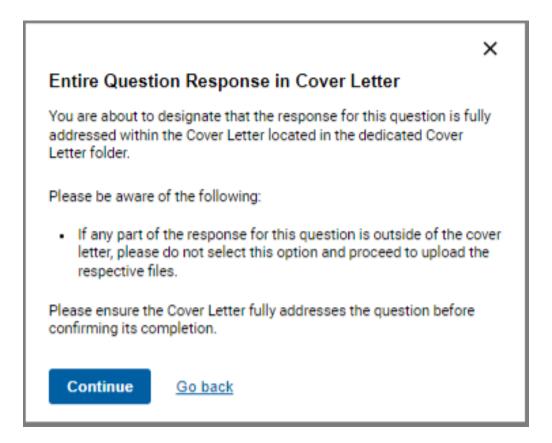
 To indicate that the "Entire Question Response is in the Cover Letter", click the Entire Question Response in Cover Letter box and then click Save.



NOTE: If you click on an <u>empty</u> folder, the **Entire Question Response in Cover Letter** box will appear on the page.

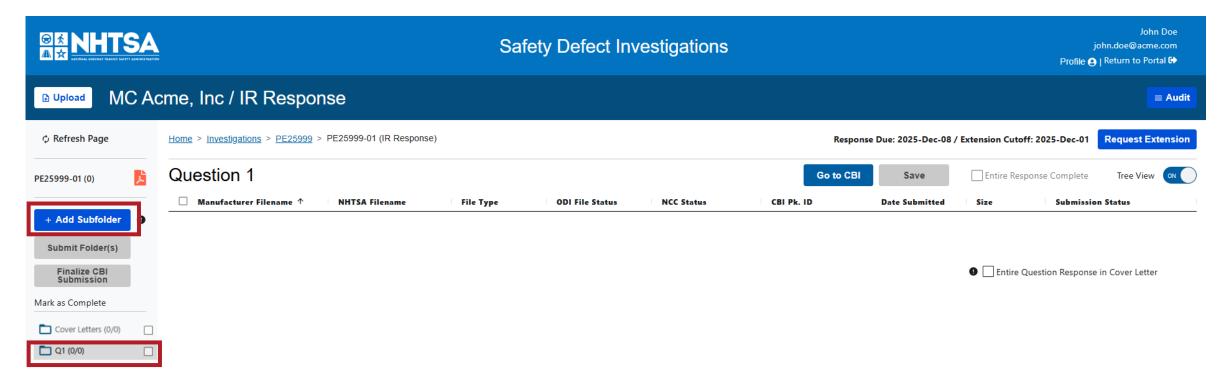
Upload Files into IR Response Folders (6 of 9)

NOTE: Once the **Entire Question Response in Cover Letter** box is checked, the warning message below will appear. Once reviewed, click **Continue**. If any part of the response for the question is outside of the cover letter, click on the **Go Back** hyperlink to upload any IR Response files that need to be uploaded for the question.



Upload Files into IR Response Folders (7 of 9)

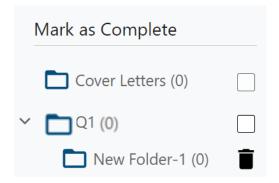
5. If you want to create sub-folders within the question folder selected, click on the folder and then click Add Subfolder button.



NOTE: You can create a maximum of 50 sub-folders for each IR response folder. The **IR Response** sub-folder structure created by the manufacturer in the SDI will be transferred back to the ODI Investigation record when the manufacturer submits the IR Response files to ODI.

Upload Files into IR Response Folders (8 of 9)

6. To rename the "New Folder - #" sub-folder, double-click on the sub-folder and type in the new name.



NOTE: To delete a sub-folder:

- 1. Click the child subfolder you need to delete.
- Click the trash icon next to the child subfolder's name to open the Confirm Subfolder Delete modal pop-up box.
 Confirm Subfolder Delete

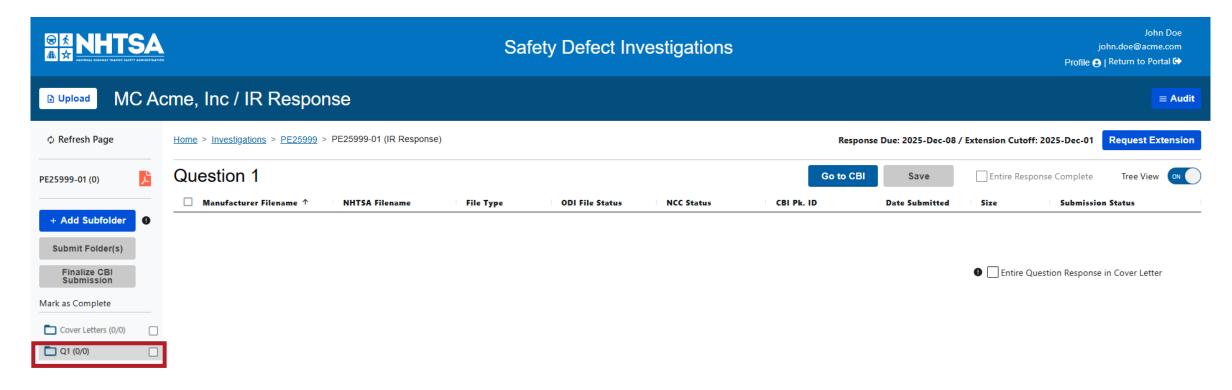
Do you want to delete folder New Folder-1?



3. Click the Delete button.

Upload Files into IR Response Folders (9 of 9)

7. Once any sub-folders have been created, click on the folder or sub-folder for which you want to upload your IR response.

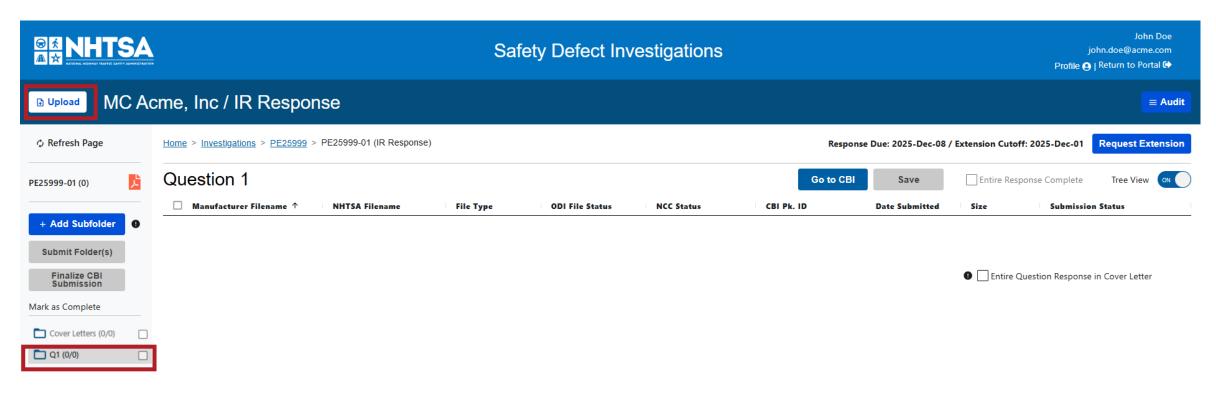


NOTE: If you click on an <u>empty</u> folder, the **Entire Question Response in Cover Letter** box will appear on the page until at least 1 file has been uploaded to the folder.

Upload IR Response - Non-Confidential Files (1 of 7)

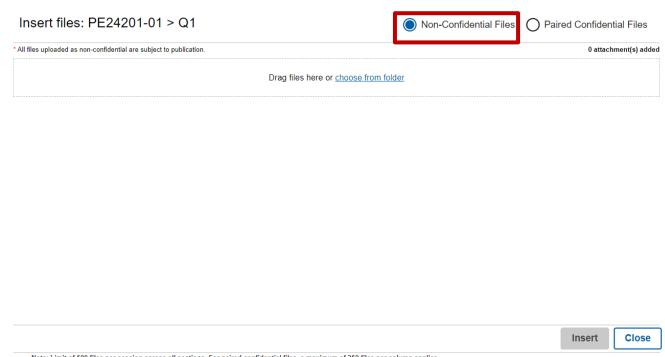
To upload non-confidential files to an IR Response folder:

1. Click on the desired folder and then click **Upload** button in the upper left corner of the "**Manufacturer Name**"/IR Response page to bring up the **Insert files** box.



Upload IR Response - Non-Confidential Files (2 of 7)

- Once the **Insert files** box appears:
 - Click the **Non-Confidential** (default) radio button.
 - Then drop and drag up to 2500 files at a time into the **Insert files** box.



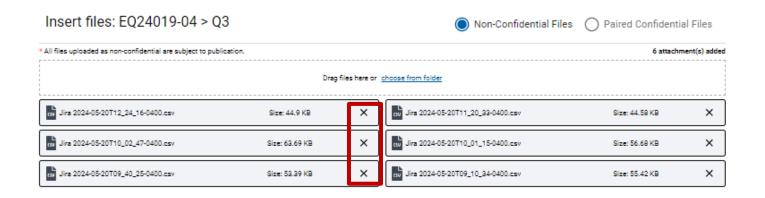
- · Note: Limit of 500 files per session across all sections. For paired confidential files, a maximum of 250 files per column applies
- Maximum size allowed per file is 5 GB
- · .zip files are prohibited
- · Multiple files can be uploaded for all 'Document Types'
- Following file types are allowed: .jpg, .accdb, .wav, .png, .avi, .doc, .docx, .html, .jpeg, .mov, .mp4, .mpeg, .mpg, .pdf, .rtf, .tif, .txt, .wmv, .xls, .xlsx, .mp3, .csv, .ppt, .pptx

REMINDER: (1) .Zip files are prohibited. (2) Each file uploaded can not exceed 5 GB in size.

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c. Once the files appear in the **Insert files** box, review the files and if a file has been wrongly uploaded, click the "X" to the right of the file to delete it from being inserted into the folder.

Close



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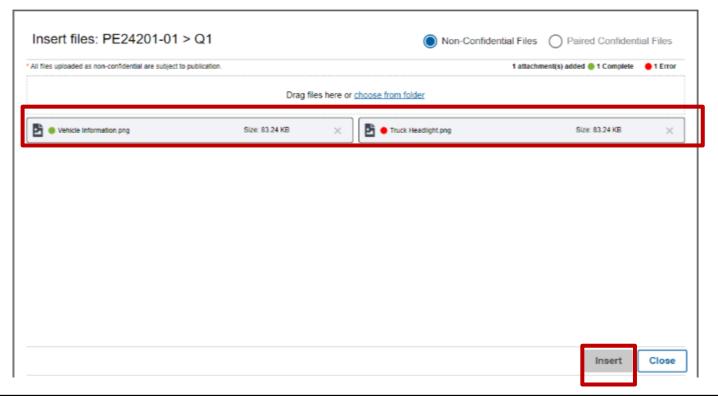
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Following file types are allowed: .jpg, .accdb, .wav, .png, .avi, .doc, .docx, .html, .jpeg, .mov, .mp4, .mpeg, .mpg, .pdf, .rtf, .tif, .txt, .wmv, .xls, .xlsx, .mp3, .csv, .ppt, .pptx

Upload IR Response Non-Confidential Files (4 of 7)

d. Once the files have been reviewed, click the **Insert** button to enable the system to run a validation check on the files.

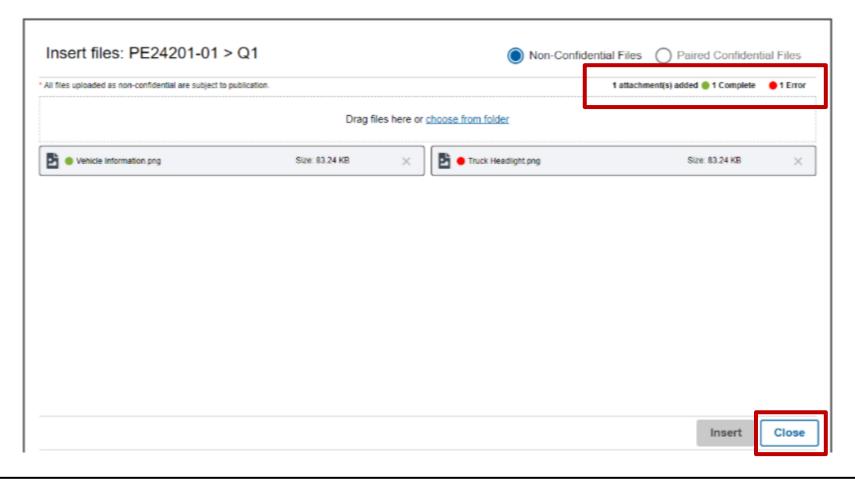


NOTE: As a file is undergoing the validation check:

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- To view the reason for the validation failure, hover over the red dot.

Upload IR Response Non-Confidential Files (5 of 7)

e. Once the validation check is complete and all files have uploaded, click the **Close** button.



NOTE: A validation summary (files completing upload and number of errors) will be displayed in the upper right part of the **Insert files** box.

Upload IR Response Non-Confidential Files (6 of 7)

f. Once the **Close** button is clicked, the system will run a file security check to ensure the files are safe to submit to ODI.



NOTE: While the system is running its security check:

- There will be a "P" to the left of the file until it passes the security check and then the "P" will disappear.
- Any file that fails the security check will be marked "Q" and can not be submitted to ODI.
- A revised file will need to be uploaded to the folder before submitting the folder to ODI.

Upload IR Response Non-Confidential Files (7 of 7)

NOTE: Once at least one has been <u>uploaded</u> to any folder, the **Information Requests - Status** field will change to In Progress. Investigation **Documents:** IR Extension Memos: Information Request Type NHTSA IR ID Request **Number of Questions** Received Response Due $\, \downarrow \,$ Status Requests: In Progress PE24201-01 INIM-PE24201-14348.pdf -Manufacturer 2024-May-... 2024-Jun-14

Upload IR Response Paired Confidential Files (1 of 12)

Confidential and Public (Redacted) File Naming Conventions:

<u>To enable the SDI Portal to automatically pair Confidential files with their respective Redacted/Public version of the files</u>, the following naming conventions should be used to name and upload Confidential Files and their Redacted/Public versions:

Confidential Files should be named using any of the 5 conventions below:

- File Name Confidential Business Information
- File Name_Conf Bus Info
- File Name Conf
- File Name_Confidential
- File Name_CBI

Redacted Version of Confidential Files should be named using either of the 2 conventions below:

- File Name Public
- File Name_Redacted

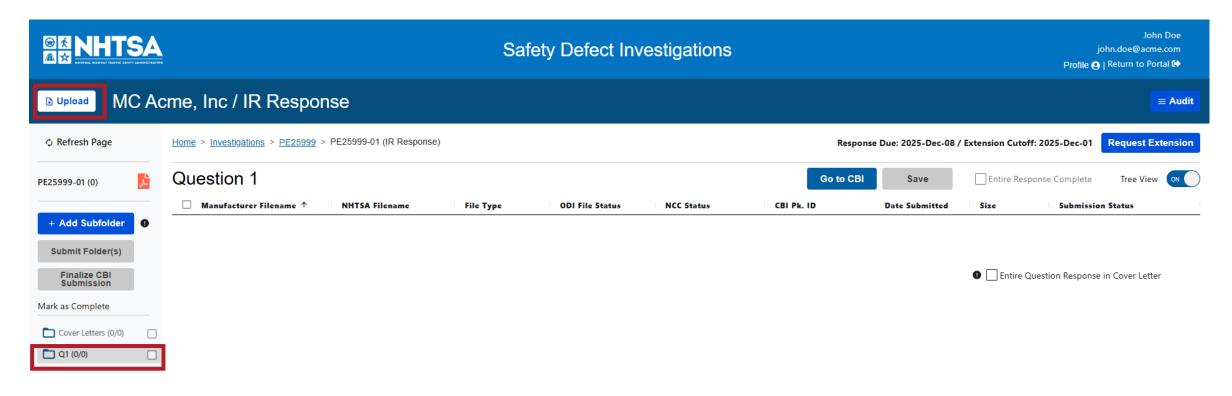
NOTE: The "File Name" portion of the Confidential and Redacted file names need to match exactly.

NOTE: Once the Paired-Confidential files are submitted to ODI, a *Contains CBI* box will automatically be checked in ODI's internal system and the files will be locked down. The Public versions of files will be reviewed, redacted by ODI for Personal Identifiable Information (PII), and then published to the NHTSA website.

Upload IR Response Paired Confidential Files (2 of 12)

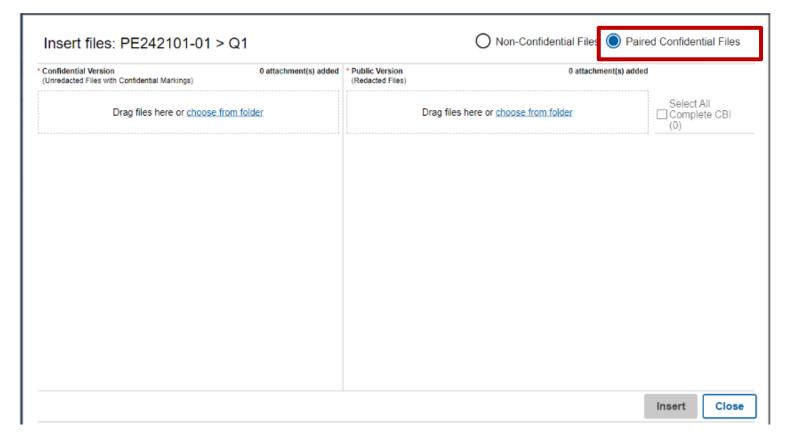
To **upload Paired-Confidential files** for an IR Response folder:

- Click on the folder in which you want to upload files.
- 2. Then click the Upload button in the upper left corner of the "Manufacturer Name"/ IR Response page.



Upload IR Response Paired Confidential Files (3 of 12)

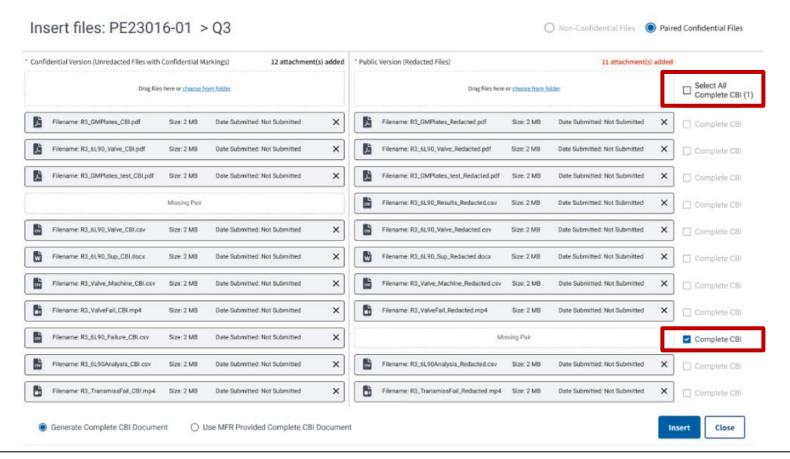
- Select the Paired Confidential radio button.
- 4. Drop and drag up to 2500 Confidential files into the Confidential Version (left) side of the page.
- 5. Drop and drag up to 2500 Public files into the Public Version (right) side of the page.



NOTE: (1) See slide #6 for list of acceptable file types. (2) Each file uploaded can not exceed 5 GB in size.

Upload IR Response Paired Confidential Files (4 of 12)

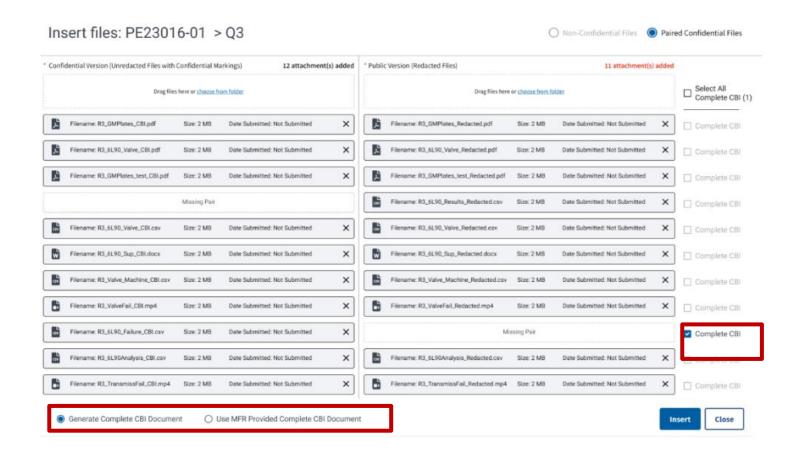
6. If the entire **Confidential file** is confidential, check the **Complete CBI** box to the right of the file row to override the system and not have to upload a Public version of the file.



Note: If <u>all the Confidential files for a given folder are being submitted</u> as all CBI, click the **Select All Complete CBI** box at the top of the Complete CBI column.

Upload IR Response Paired Confidential Files (5 of 12)

7. If at least 1 Complete CBI box is checked for a given question number, select either the Generate Complete CBI Document or the Use Mfr Provided Complete CBI Document radio button to generate and submit a 1-page file that documents that "The remaining documents responsive to IR XXYY-###-## Question # have a Confidential Business Information (CBI) request from the manufacturer for the entirety of each document".



NOTE: The Generate Complete CBI
Document and Use Mfr Provided
Complete CBI Document buttons
will only activate once a "Complete
CBI" box is checked and the
Generate Complete CBI Document
will be checked as a default.

Upload IR Response Paired Confidential Files (6 of 12)

NOTE: If the **Generate Complete CBI Document** button is selected, the SDI Portal will automatically create the 1-page document as shown below for the question selected.

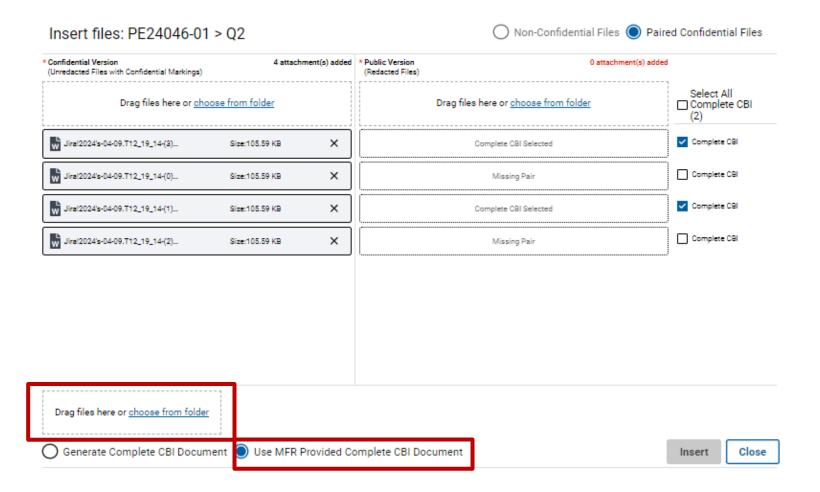
The remaining documents responsive to IR PE23016-01 Question 3 have a Confidential Business Information (CBI) request from the manufacturer for the entirety of each document.

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NOTE: The 1-page document will automatically be uploaded to the selected Question # folder as a non-confidential, public file.

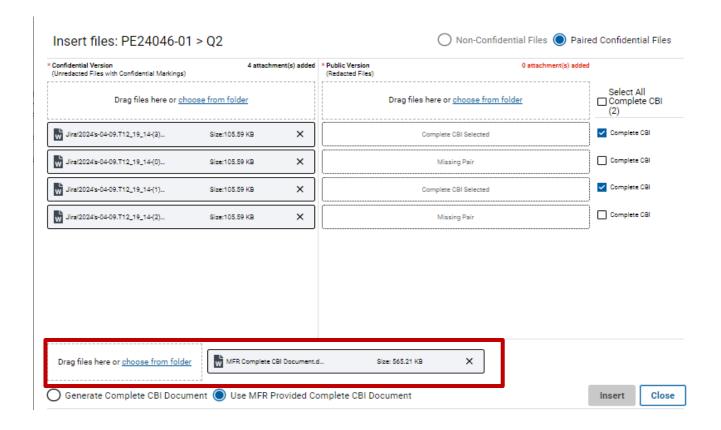
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NOTE: If the **Use Mfr Provided Complete CBI Document** is selected, you will need to create and upload a 1-page file that documents something similar to the wording on the previous slide. Once the **Use MFR Provided Complete CBI Document** button is selected, a box will appear for you to upload their own document.



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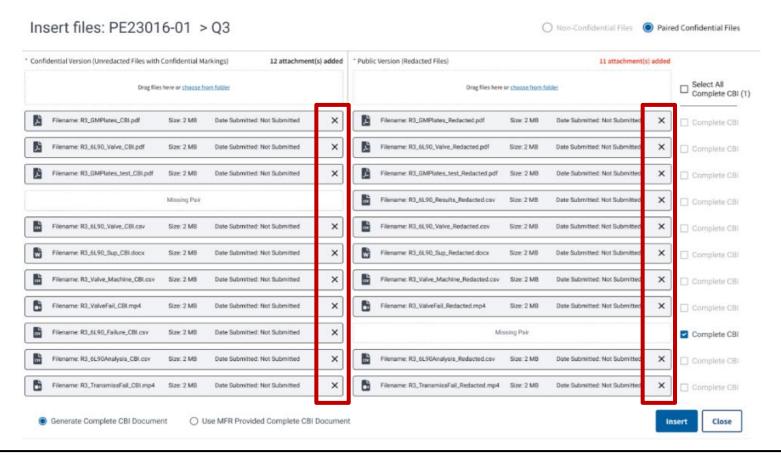
NOTE: Once you drop and drag the file (or select it from a shared folder), the file will appear on the page as shown below.



NOTE: The **Complete CBI Document** will automatically be uploaded to the selected Question # folder as a non-confidential, public file once the Paired-Confidential files are inserted into the folder.

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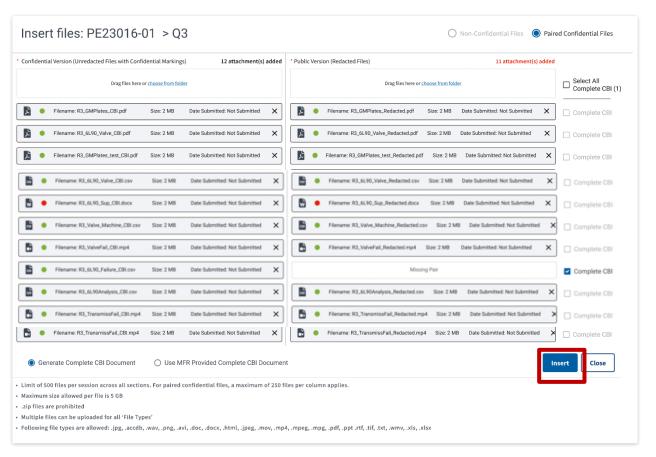
NOTE: If a Confidential Version of a file is missing, the manufacturer will need to upload the missing file before its Public Version can be inserted into the question folder and vise-versa.

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Once you have reviewed to the files to ensure they are the ones they want to insert, click the Insert button to enable the system to run a file validation check.

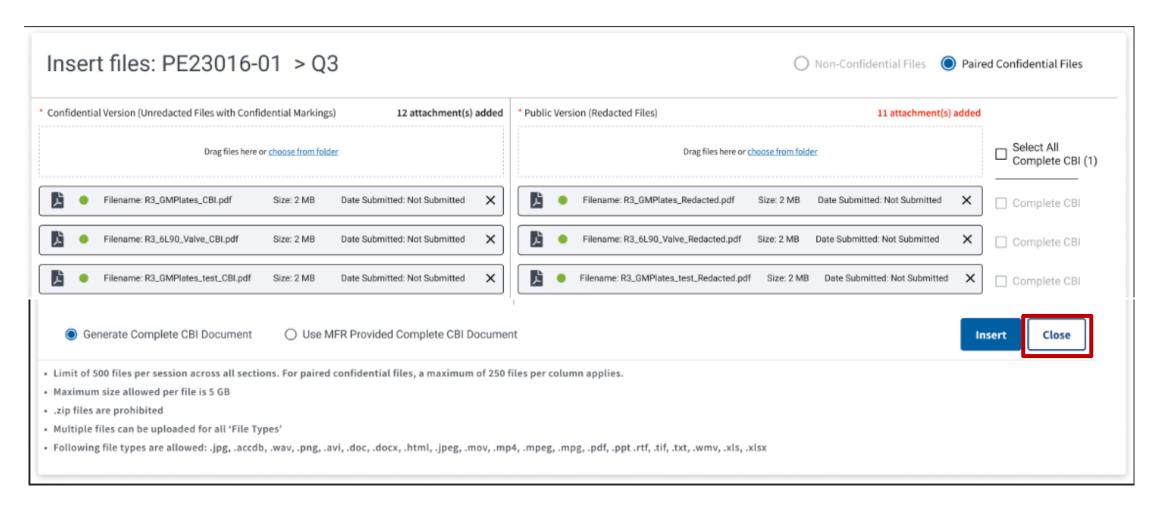
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10. Once the validation check is complete, click the **Close** button.



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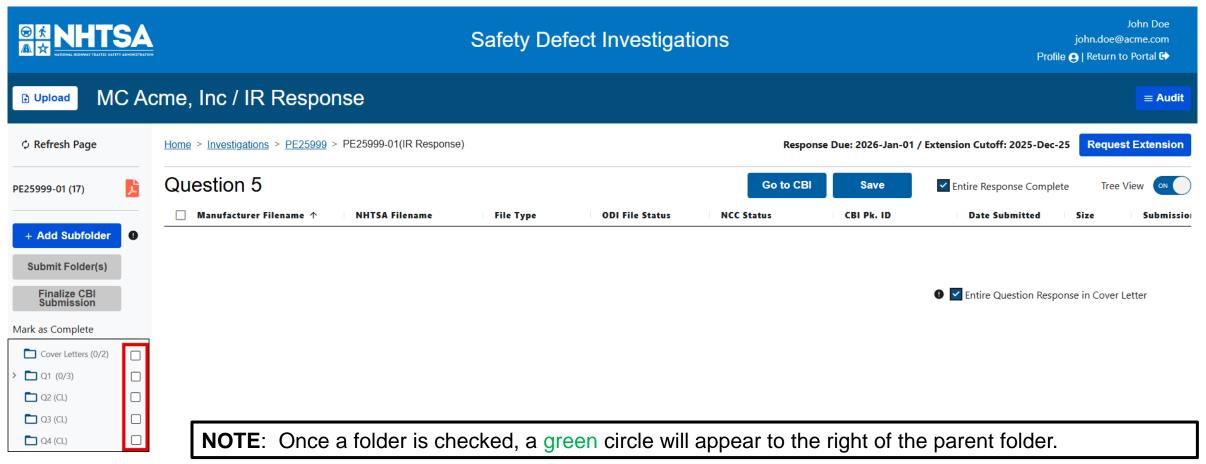
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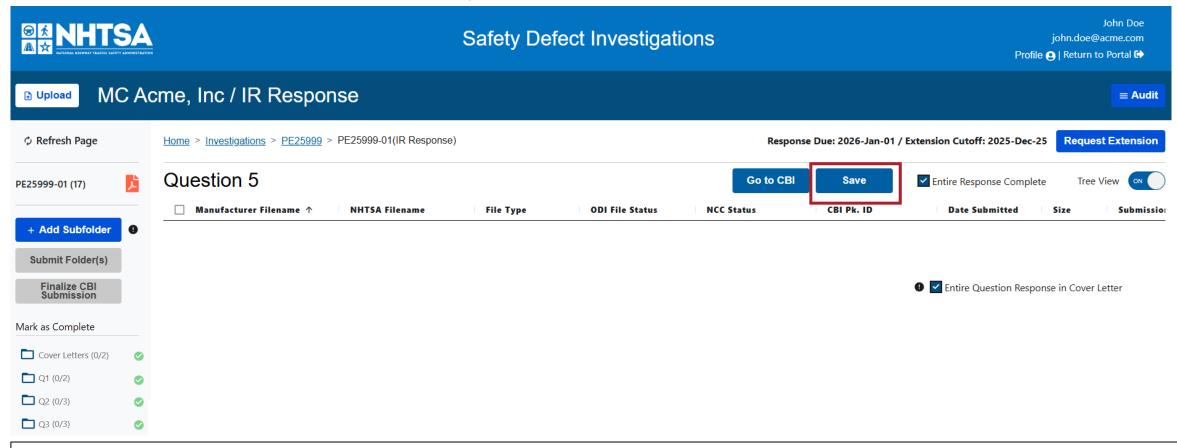
To confirm an IR response folder is complete and ready to be submitted to ODI:

1. In the **Manufacturer/ IR Response** folder, check the box to the right of the IR Response cover letter and/or each question folder that is complete and ready to be submitted.



Confirm IR Response Folders are Ready for Submission (3 of 4)

2. In the Manufacturer/ IR Response page, click the Save button.



Note: Submissions must be done at the folder level. All sub-folders will be submitted at the same time the parent folder is submitted. If any additional files are added to the folder prior to submission, you will need to repeat steps 1 and 2 before you submit the folder.

Confirm IR Response Folders are Ready for Submission (4 of 4)

3. In the Confirm Completion for Selected Item(s) window, click the Confirm & Complete button to confirm the folder that are complete and ready for submission or Go back to go back to the IR Response screen.



Confirm Completion for Selected Item(s)

You are about to mark the following item(s) to complete:

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This action will not prevent the addition of more files to these response folders.

Please confirm, as this cannot be undone.

Confirm & Complete

Go back

Submit IR Response Folders via the SDI Portal (1 of 4)

Review IR Letter from ODI via the SDI Portal

Request IR Response Extension in SDI Portal, if Needed

Upload Files into IR Response Folders in SDI Portal

Confirm IR Response Folders in the SDI Portal are Complete and Ready for Submission

Submit IR Response File Folders via the SDI Portal

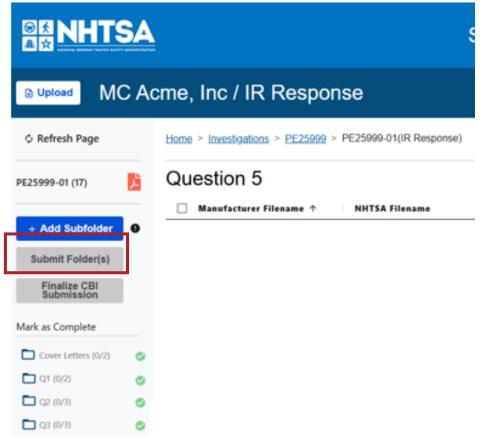
Upload Request for CBI Request Letter and Certificate Files to CBI Portal, as needed

Submit Request for Confidential Treatment, Certificate, and CBI Files

Validate Submission of CBI Files via the SDI Portal

Submit IR Response Folders via the SDI Portal (2 of 4)

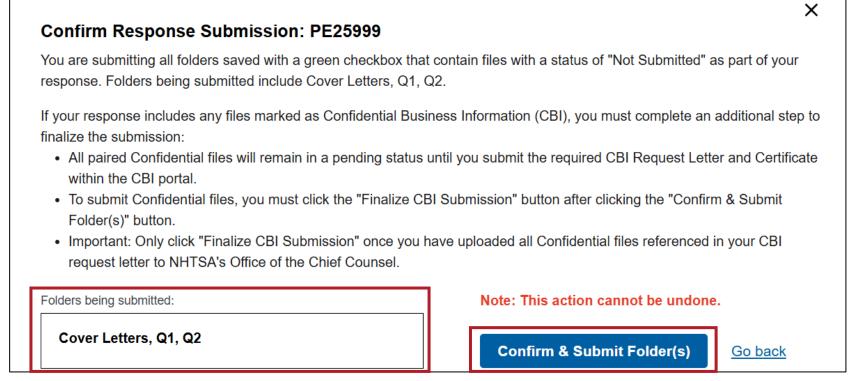
1. Once folder boxes have been identified with a green circle and are saved and ready to be submitted to ODI, click the **Submit Folder(s)** button.



NOTE: The system will only submit files within the checked folders that have not yet been submitted.

Submit IR Response Folders via the SDI Portal (3 of 4)

2. In the **Confirm Response Submission** window, check the **Folders being submitted** field to ensure the folders being submitted are correct and then click the **Confirm & Submit Folder(s)** button.



NOTE: Once you click the **Confirm & Submit Folder(s)** button, all non-confidential files will be submitted to ODI; however, prior to submitting your paired confidential files, you will need to finalize your CBI submission by submitting your **Request for Confidential Treatment** and **Certification** files to the Office of Chief Counsel via the CBI Portal.

Submit IR Response Folders via the SDI Portal (4 of 4)

- 3. In the **Manufacturer/ IR Response** page, check the **Submission Status** field of a few files to ensure the following:
 - a. Non-Confidential files submitted have a "Response Submitted" in the Submission Status field.
 - b. Paired Confidential and CMP CBI files have a "Response Pending CBI" in the Submission Status field.



Upload CBI Request Letter and Certificate Files (1 of 8)

Review IR Letter from ODI via the SDI Portal

Request IR Response Extension in SDI Portal, if Needed

Upload Files into IR Response Folders in SDI Portal

Confirm IR Response Folders in the SDI Portal are Complete and Ready for Submission

Submit IR Response Files Folders via the SDI Portal

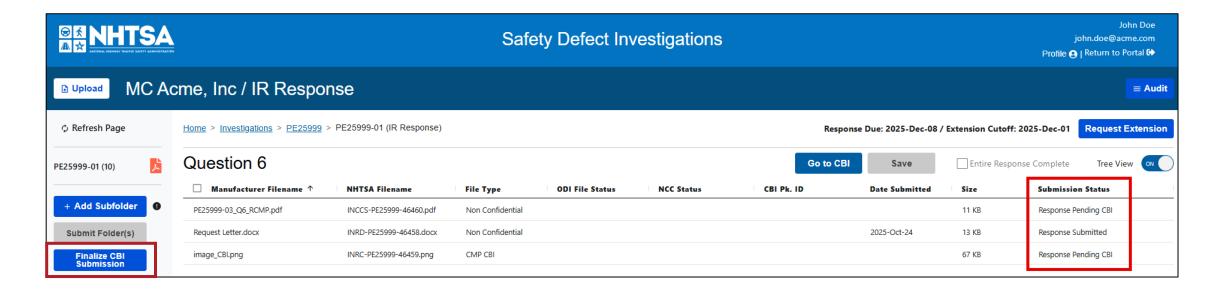
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Validate Submission of CBI Files via the SDI Portal

Upload CBI Request Letter and Certificate Files (2 of 8)

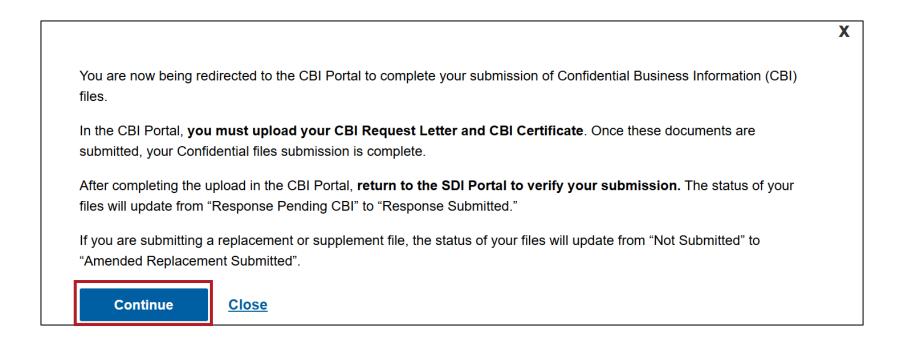
If you have any files with a Submission Status of "Response Pending CBI", click the Finalize CBI
Submission button to submit your Request for Confidential Treatment (CBI) and Certification files
to NHTSA's Office of Chief Counsel.



NOTE: Once you click the **Finalize CBI Submission** button, a window will open explaining that you are being redirected to the CBI Portal and the next steps you will need to required to take.

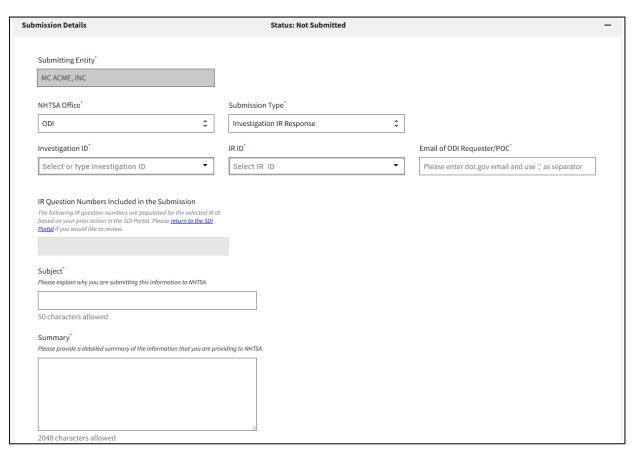
Upload CBI Request Letter and Certificate Files (3 of 8)

To connect to the CBI Portal, click the Continue button to go to the CBI Portal to complete your CBI submission.



Upload CBI Request Letter and Certificate Files (4 of 8)

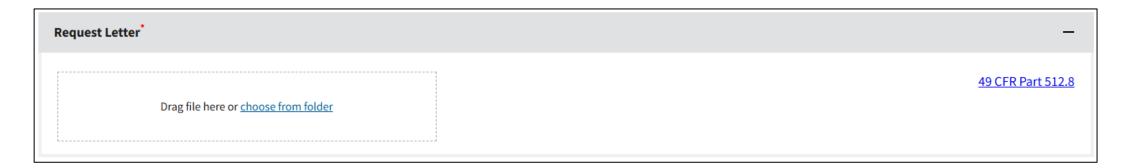
3. Using the table below, in the CBI portal - Submission Details pane, complete all the required fields.



Element	Description
Submitting Entity	From the Submitting Entity drop-down field, select the name of the manufacturer you are submitting the IR Response on behalf of. The drop-down will display manufacturer names based on your user permissions.
NHTSA Office	From the NHTSA Office drop-down field, select "ODI."
Submission Type	From the Submission Type drop-down field, select "Investigation IR Response."
Investigation ID	From the <i>Investigation ID</i> drop-down field, select the ID number of the Investigation for which the IR Response is being requested. The drop-down options will display open Investigation numbers corresponding to the entry input in the <i>Submitting Entity</i> field.
IR ID	From the <i>IR ID</i> drop-down field, select the ID number of the IR for which you are responding to the IR Request. The drop-down options will display the IR ID numbers corresponding to the entries input in the <i>Submitting Entity</i> and <i>Investigation ID</i> fields.
Email of ODI Requestor/POC	Once the <i>Investigation ID</i> field is filled out, the <i>Email of ODI</i> Requestor/POC will be automatically populated with the email address of the ODI investigator responsible for your Investigation.
IR Question Number Included in the Submission	Once the <i>IR ID</i> field is filled out, the <i>IR Question Number Included in the Submission</i> will be automatically populated with the IR folders containing documents for which confidential treatment is being requested and which have not been included in a previous CBI request. These documents should have been identified as containing CBI when uploaded to the SDI portal.
Subject	In the Subject field, explain why you are submitting this information to NHTSA. The character limit is 50.
Summary	In the Summary field, provide a detailed summary of the information that you are providing to NHTSA. The character limit is 2048.

Upload CBI Request Letter and Certificate Files (5 of 8)

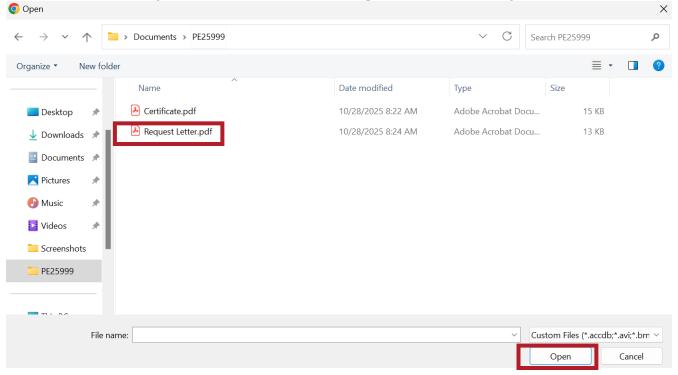
- 4. Using the steps below, in the Request Letter pane, upload the Request for Confidential Treatment document file:
 - a. Click in the **Drag file here** box or on the **choose from folder** hyperlink.



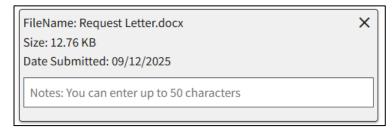
NOTE: You can click the 49 CFR Part 512.8 hyperlink to review NHTSA's CBI requirements.

Upload CBI Request Letter and Certificate Files (6 of 8)

b. Select the file to be uploaded to the **Request Letter** pane and then click the **Open** button.

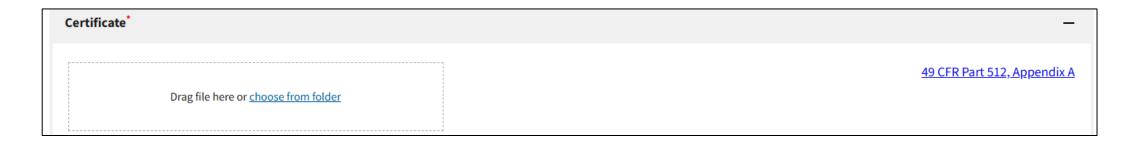


c. Once the Request Letter file has been uploaded, add any Notes (up to 50 characters), as needed.



Upload CBI Request Letter and Certificate Files (7 of 8)

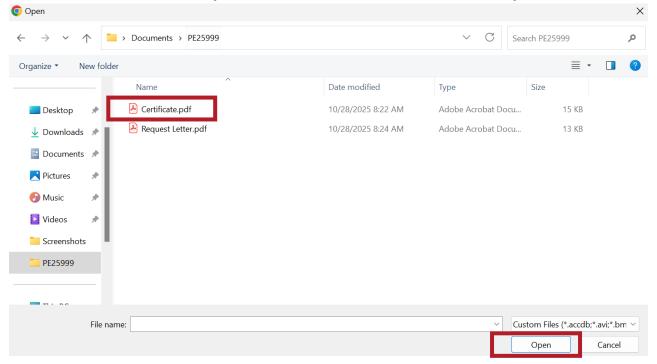
- 5. Using the steps below, in the **Certificate** pane, upload the **Certificate** file:
 - a. Click in the **Drag file here** box or on the **choose from folder** hyperlink.



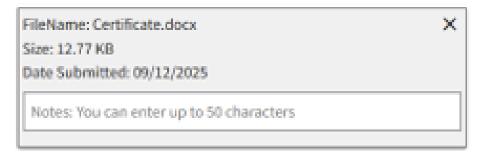
NOTE: You can click the **49 CFR Part 512, Appendix A** hyperlink to review NHTSA's certificate requirements.

Upload CBI Request Letter and Certificate Files (8 of 8)

b. Select the file to be uploaded to the Certificate pane and then click the Open button.



b. Once the **Certificate** file has been uploaded, add any **Notes** (up to 50 characters), as needed.



Submit CBI Files and Validate CBI Submission (1 of 6)

Review IR Letter from ODI via the SDI Portal

Request IR Response Extension in SDI Portal, if Needed

Upload Files into IR Response Folders in SDI Portal

Confirm IR Response Folders in the SDI Portal are Complete and Ready for Submission

Submit IR Response Folders to ODI via the SDI Portal

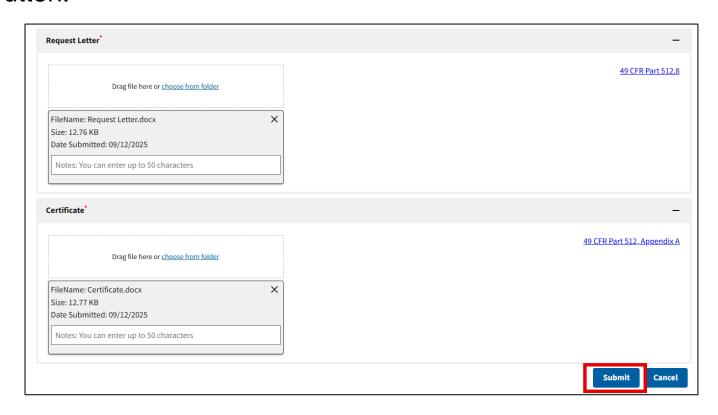
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Validate Submission of CBI Files via the SDI Portal

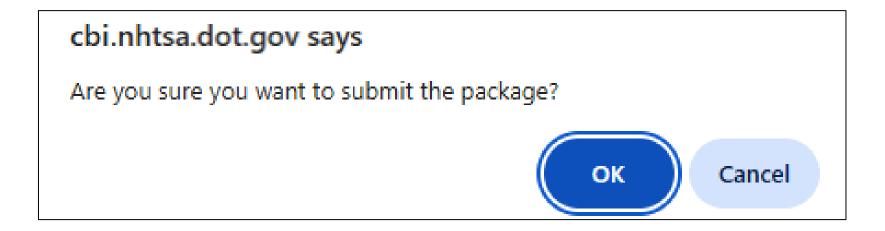
Submit CBI Files and Validate CBI Submission (2 of 6)

 Once the Request Letter and Certificate files have been uploaded to the CBI Portal, click the Submit button.



Submit CBI Files and Validate CBI Submission (3 of 6)

2. In the confirmation message at the top of the page, click the **Ok** button.

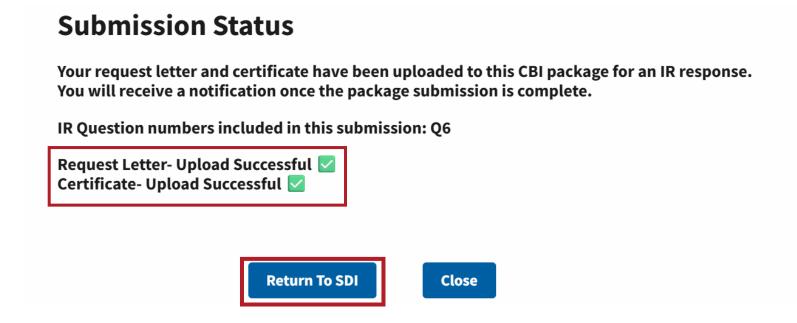


NOTE: Once you have submitted your Request Letter and Certificate files, all pending Paired Confidential and Complete CBI files will be submitted to NHTSA and cannot be deleted.

NOTE: Once you have clicked the **Ok** button, the **Submission Status** window will appear. If you do not want to submit the **Request Letter, Certificate**, and **CBI** files, click the **Cancel** button.

Submit CBI Files and Validate CBI Submission (4 of 6)

- 3. Once the **Submission Status** window appears:
 - a. Validate that the Request Letter and Certificate files have been successfully uploaded.
 - b. Click the **Return to SDI** button to return to the SDI Portal **Investigation Dashboard** page.



NOTE: Clicking the **Close** button will return you to the CBI portal.

Submit CBI Files and Validate CBI Submission (5 of 6)

NOTE: Once in the SDI portal, you will need to navigate to the desired investigation Manufacturer/ IR Response page.

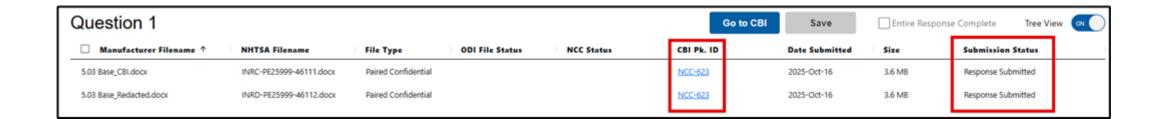
- Using the steps below, in the SDI portal Manufacturer/ IR Response page, confirm your IR Response files have been submitted to NHTSA:
 - a. In the left navigation pane, click on the Cover Letter or Question number folder to be validated.



NOTE: The first number to the right of a folder will indicate the number of files submitted by the manufacturer to NHTSA for that folder. The second number is the number of total files uploaded to the folder.

Submit CBI Files and Validate CBI Submission (6 of 6)

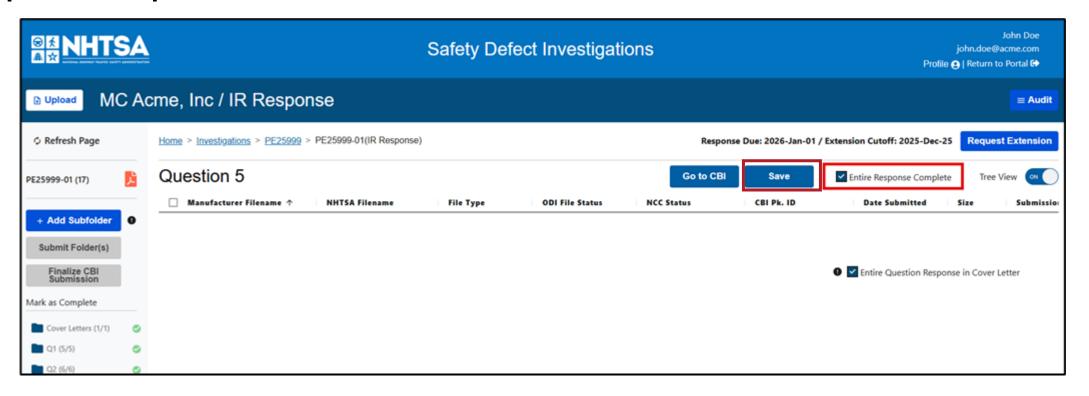
b. For each folder submitted, ensure that the *CBI Pk. ID* hyperlink is shown and the *Submission*Status field reflects "Response Submitted" for each file submitted.



NOTE: If you want to view the **Request for Confidential Treatment** and **Certificate** documents associated with a given file, click the **CBI Pk. ID** hyperlink to bring you to the corresponding CBI package in the CBI portal.

Marking an Entire IR Response Complete (1 of 2)

Once **all** files have been submitted based upon the dates approved by ODI, check the **Entire Response Complete** box and then click the **Save** button.



Marking an Entire IR Response Complete (2 of 2)

NOTE: Once the **Entire Response Complete** box is checked and the **Save** button is clicked, a time stamp will appear at the top of the header to let you know the latest date and time the response was submitted.

Response Due: 2024-Jun-17 / Extension Cutoff: 2024-Jun-10

Request Extension

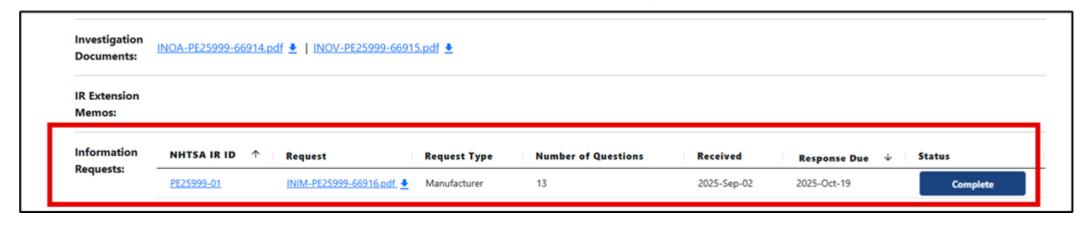
✓ Completed: 2024-Jun-09 03:47 PM

Tree View



Complete

In addition, the Information Requests record Status will change to



IR Response Submission Assistance

- ODI will post New Manufacturer IR Response Submission Training slides on <u>www.nhtsa.gov</u> website (in manufacturer's section) in early November.
- For assistance regarding <u>SDI Portal access</u>, send an email to <u>Mfrewr.Helpdesk@dot.gov</u>
- For assistance regarding any <u>other SDI Portal questions</u>, send an email to <u>odi.mist@dot.gov</u>.
- For assistance regarding <u>CBI Portal questions</u>, send an email to the contact provided in Enclosure 1 of your IR letter.

