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Subject: Fw: Committee Letter.

Bad news. See attached letter to request the House Energy and Commerce Committee (and the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection specifically) to ensure that the Administration is looking into the Tacoma "surge" issue.

We will work on this here to try to get this out of Congressional interest and redirected back to NHTSA, where it belongs. We may need some quick TMC support to answer questions if they arise. In the worst case, If Congress gets interested in this, this could turn into public hearings, like the SUV rollover issue or Ford Firestone. Best case, they ask NHTSA to investigate, which they are already doing.

Best Regards,
Chris

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Chris, I got a heads up from a friend of mine in Rep. Blackburn's office about a letter his boss sent to the Energy and Commerce Committee asking for an investigation into sudden acceleration on the 2007 Tacoma. Apparently, a local news station in Nashville (see the links below) has been doing a story on this and interviewed Rep. Blackburn and asked her about the issue. She was on the spot and said she would look into it, thus the attached letter. Do you have any information I can provide her or any recommendations on how to proceed?

Thanks,

Mark

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Subject Committee Letter

Mark,

Thanks for taking the call this morning, and if you have any questions just let me know.

Best regards,

- Greg L.

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