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Dear Ms. Flowers:

Subject: Ford Motor Company Notice of Anticipated Shortage and Request for Extension

In accordance with Paragraph 39 of the Agency's December 9, 2016, Third Amendment to the Coordinated Remedy Order ("ACRO"), Ford Motor Company (Ford) is updating its request for an extension to the Supply & Launch Deadlines for certain vehicles in Priority Groups 4 - 8.

On February 9, 2018, Ford provided the Agency with specific extension request dates for vehicles in Priority Groups 4 - 8. As discussed with the Agency on April 6, 2018, Ford is providing the Agency with recent part development update described below. During production line trials, Takata identified a feature on the 2006 - 2009 MY Lincoln MKZ airbag module housing stamping that could damage the airbag cushion pack during the assembly process. Ford requested revisions to the airbag module housing to eliminate the risk of damage and meet production validation requirements.

The required changes and additional validation testing have resulted in a delay to the expected launch dates. Additionally, this week testing has been further delayed as a result of the trial parts being held at customs due to a system outage that resulted in an inability to process payments. Ford learned late yesterday that the parts had cleared through customs and are enroute to Takata's facility. Because our extension request dates may be affected by these delays, Ford plans to submit an amended request for the subject parts as soon as the information is available or no later than April 20, 2018.

If you have any questions concerning this response, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Desi Ujkashevic".
Desi Ujkashevic