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NHTSA defect investigation

“Takata is committed to the highest standards of safety for our customers – and their customers,” said Mr. Takada, Chairman and CEO. “For the past several months, we have been consistently cooperating with NHTSA, and we will continue to do so during the defect investigation that the agency recently opened, but we also stand by the quality of our products. Takata is committed to ensuring the safety and functionality of its air bag inflators, and we strive to avoid any malfunction.”

“Each of the six incidents that prompted the NHTSA investigation occurred in Puerto Rico or Florida. We currently believe the high levels of absolute humidity in those states are important factors; and as a result our engineers are analyzing the impact that humidity may have on the potential for an inflator malfunction, as well as other possible contributing factors,” Mr. Takada continued. “We will share these results and continue to work in concert with NHTSA and our customers.”