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OFFICE DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

Mr. Philip Davis, Director  
Office of Defects Investigation  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
400 Seventh Street, S. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20590

RE: NEF-12gdc, EA85-045

Dear Mr. Davis:

As you were informed on August 4, 1986 by Messrs. Iida, Yokoyama and Schwentker when they met with you and your staff, Toyota, in light of the Kandel case (Kandel's letter clearly describes the problem, and NHTSA's testing at TRC in Ohio seems to confirm it, indicating that the problem may be systematic), will take the following action:

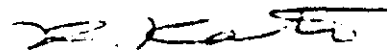
1. We will thoroughly investigate in Japan the "failed" computer that was examined in Los Angeles to determine the cause of the failure.
2. We will follow the same procedure with the second computer (which is now at TRC) as soon as you furnish us with it. (To enable Toyota to identify precisely the cause of this problem, it is essential that we examine the second computer.)
3. Based upon our investigation, Toyota will devise an appropriate "fix" and conduct a safety recall of the vehicles it deems to be affected.

Toyota estimates that this investigation will take approximately 90 days to complete.

Should you have any questions on this matter, please contact our Washington branch office at (202) 775-1707.

Sincerely,

TOYOTA MOTOR CORPORATION



Kenichi Kato  
General Manager  
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cc: Mr. D. Koda  
Mr. T. Iida