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From: Geraghty, Brian (B.J.)
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2001 10:54 AM
To: Koepfel, Bill (W.J.)
Subject: RE: NHTSA Follow-up - Police Vehicles

Bill - I spoke to Michael Blackmer and we agreed that he should be the spokesman for the issue as he already is the point man for police issues with the Crown Victoria and I will assist as necessary. Michael plans to be at the meeting in Toronto.

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From: Koepfel, Bill (W.J.)
Sent: Monday, October 08, 2001 1:26 PM
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Cc: Vondale, James (J.P.)
Subject: NHTSA Follow-up - Police Vehicles

I got a call last week from NHTSA in follow-up to our visit there a couple months ago. They are brainstorming the idea of issuing an advisory of some sort aimed at police departments (probably through the law enforcement electronic communication network - is it still called LAWNET?). The advisory would pick up many if not most of the points and suggestions contained in the briefing materials you have used with some police groups and that we left with them. When they get further along, they will provide us with a draft of the advisory and ask for our comments.

The purpose of last week's call was to determine if we would be willing to have a Ford contact (name, e-mail, maybe phone) listed in the advisory. I told them that we would probably be favorably inclined to do so, provided we were ok with the text, since one of our objectives in visiting them had been to see if we could get their participation in just such an endeavor. I assume that would still be our position. Please give some thought to who should be listed. You? Someone else from Design Analysis? Or someone from the fleet sales or service groups who normally would be our interface with police agencies.\

Timing of this is TBD, but may jump to the top of the agency's priority list quickly. They mentioned a meeting in a few weeks in Toronto of the International Association of Police Chiefs as a possible forum for rolling out the advisory. Do you know who from Ford might be attending?

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From: Koeppel, Bill (W.J.)
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Subject: Crown Vic Police Cars

Kathy DeMeter called to advise that the agency would be opening a PE on this subject. There are several reasons for this decision, but conversations they have had with the plaintiffs' attorney's who tool Brian's deposition recently, and the incorrect summary of the meeting Brian and I had last summer with ODI that was recorded in the CCRG notes played a part. Our credibility has been damaged. I am meeting with them next Wednesday on another subject and would like to be fully up to speed so that I am able to address some of the things that are bothering them. I would like to meet Monday or early Tuesday for this purpose. Brian, who besides you should be invited? Thanks.

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