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Ms. Terry Shelton  
Associate Administrator for the National Center for Statistics and Analysis  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E. West Building  
Washington, D.C. 20590

**RE: Reports, Forms, and Record Keeping Requirements; Information Collection Request**  
**Title: *Crash Investigation Sampling System (CISS)***  
**[Docket Number NHTSA-2014-0049]**

Dear Ms. Shelton:

The Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association (MEMA)<sup>1</sup> supports the information collection request (ICR) from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) titled “Crash Investigation Sampling System (CISS)” because it is necessary for the proper performance of the agency’s functions and the information will have practical utility. More details about how the CISS will be carried out should be subject to a future public review and comment.

MEMA provided NHTSA with comments in 2012 about the importance of modernizing our nation’s crash data systems.<sup>2</sup> These are important tools for both government and industry to improve safety on our nation’s highways. Updates and improvements to crash data are absolutely necessary to support government actions, policies, and analyses.

The motor vehicle component manufacturer industry is dedicated to supporting the efforts of NHTSA to pinpoint and analyze critical safety issues so that suppliers can continue to innovate advanced safety technologies that reduce injuries and fatalities. Improving our collective ability to quantify the experiences of real world crash scenarios helps all stakeholders in developing the appropriate solutions.

If you have any questions, please contact MEMA Senior Director of Regulatory Affairs Leigh Merino at (202) 312-9249.

Regards,

Ann Wilson  
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<sup>1</sup> MEMA represents more than 1,000 companies that manufacture motor vehicle parts for use in the light- and heavy-duty vehicle original equipment and aftermarket industries. Motor vehicle parts manufacturers are the nation’s largest manufacturing sector, directly employing more than 734,000 people across the country. MEMA represents its members through four divisions: Automotive Aftermarket Suppliers Association (AASA), Heavy Duty Manufacturers Association (HDMA), Motor & Equipment Remanufacturers Association (MERA) and Original Equipment Suppliers Association (OESA).

<sup>2</sup> NHTSA-2012-0084-0019

