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F - Electrical & Electronics Division	W - Transmission
H - Climate Control Division	U - Ford do Brasil
L - Light Truck Engineering	Y - Ford of Europe
N - Ford Tractor Operations	Z - Ford of Australia
P - Transmission & Axle Engineering	2 - Engineering & Research Staff

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