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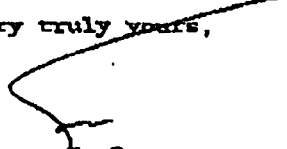
Mr. John Malone, Director
Chemical Control Division
Environmental Protection Agency
401 M Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Mr. Malone:

On November 9, 1992, Ford Motor Company responded to the questions EPA raised regarding Ford's current and future use of asbestos. In response to EPA's question, "what parts still contain asbestos?", it was stated that rear brake drum linings were the only asbestos containing parts in 1993 Ford vehicles.

We have recently determined that Ford's response is technically incorrect in that several 1993 Ford vehicle lines identified as having asbestos containing rear brake drum linings, in fact, are equipped with front brake asbestos containing components. These vehicles with asbestos containing front brake components were, however, correctly considered in Ford's response to EPA's questions pertaining to: 1) the percent of 1993 Ford vehicles with asbestos containing parts and 2) Ford's schedule for phasing out asbestos containing parts.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this oversight may have caused.

Very truly yours,

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