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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St. SW, Room TW-B204
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *5GAA Petition for Waiver to Allow Deployment of Cellular Vehicle-to-Everything (C-V2X) Technology in the 5.9 GHz Band; GN Docket No. 18-357*

Revision of Part 15 of the Commission's Rules; ET Docket No. 13-49

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 22, 2019, Mitch Bainwol, Chief Government Relations Officer, Curt Magleby, Vice President of U.S. Government Relations, and the undersigned, all of Ford Motor Company, met with Chairman Ajit Pai and Aaron Goldberger, Wireless Advisor to the Chairman.

Ford thanked the Chairman for his leadership on 5G. Ford also explained how Cellular Vehicle-to-Everything ("C-V2X"), a modern connected vehicle technology designed with a path to 5G, can make American roadway travel safer, smarter, and more efficient. Because the Commission's rules do not currently permit C-V2X operations in the 5.9 GHz band, we discussed how a grant of the waiver request filed by the 5G Automotive Association ("5GAA") would help remove the most significant regulatory roadblock standing in the way of stakeholders deploying this technology.

Ford also explained that as regions around the world take steps to facilitate the deployment of C-V2X, a grant 5GAA's waiver request would help improve the global competitiveness of America's automotive and smart mobility industries while ensuring American consumers have access to the same modern safety technologies available in other countries. Ford also reiterated its commitment to deploy C-V2X in all of its new

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vehicle models beginning in 2022, but explained its need for a grant of 5GAA's waiver in the very near term to meet this commitment.

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, this notice is being filed in the above-referenced dockets for inclusion in the public record. Please contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ John F. Kwant
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cc: Aaron Goldberger, Office of Chairman Ajit Pai