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To: [Ansley, Alexander \(NHTSA\)](#)
Subject: RE: Fisker Automotive Safety Recall Inquiry
Date: Thursday, December 29, 2011 2:20:07 PM

Mr. Ansley,

Sorry for not responding more promptly, I was traveling yesterday. In answer to your query, no. While A123 uses the same or similar components as building blocks in its automotive products, the problem in the Fisker application is not due to "defective batteries" in the pack. Rather, A123 understands the problem reported by Fisker as one caused by the clearance dimension between our battery's cover and hose clamps, which is a result of the unique packaging for the Fisker application.

Best Regards,

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Mr. Greene,

Good morning. I am contacting you in regards to the recent Fisker Automotive safety recall (#11V-598, also attached) which requires the repair of 239 Fisker Karma vehicles due to defective high voltage batteries. In their Part 573 Defect Report, Fisker noted that A123 Systems was the supplier of the batteries containing the safety defect.

Did A123 Systems supply these same or similar defective batteries to any other vehicle manufacturer or equipment distributor?

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Alex Ansley

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