



November 16, 2018

Ms. Heidi R. King
Deputy Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590-0001

Attn: NHTSA-2018-0092

Re: Request for 15-Day Extension of Comment Period

Dear Deputy Administrator King:

The Association of Global Automakers, Inc. (Global Automakers) respectfully requests a 15-day extension of the November 26, 2018 comment deadline for the October 10, 2018 advanced notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) related to the design of a potential pilot program for automated vehicles.

As the agency is aware, automated vehicles are expected to significantly increase safety on our nation's roadways by helping reduce the number of crashes attributable to human error, which today accounts for the overwhelming majority of crashes on our nation's roadways.

We are supportive of NHTSA's ongoing efforts to address regulatory barriers and ensure a modernized policy framework that supports the testing and deployment of advanced technologies while maintaining motor vehicle safety. However, recognizing the significance of a potential pilot program, and the broad scope of issues included the agency's request for input, Global Automakers is requesting additional time to discuss these matters with our members and develop clear recommendations for the agency's consideration moving forward.

In order to assure a more comprehensive response to the ANPRM, we therefore request that the agency please extend the comment deadline to December 11, 2018. Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Gehring".

Steve Gehring
Vice President, Vehicle Safety & Connected Automation

cc: Jonathan Morrison
Jack Danielson