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Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2014 5:54 PM
To: Neeley, Nick
Cc: Sen. McLachlan, Michael
Subject: Corrosion from State road treatments

Hi Mr Neeley,

I am writing to you regarding the treatments being used on our roads because of an incident that occurred In August of 2013. I was backing our organizations van down an inclined driveway and the brake pedal went down to the floor. Brake fluid was leaking from the brake lines. I had the vehicle towed to Firestone in Brookfield, CT and they replaced the damaged brake lines.

When I went to pick up the van, I had an opportunity to speak with the mechanic who did the repair. He told me that the new salt solution that was being used on the roads had caused the damage. He recommended having the undercarriage vehicles washed to get the solution off after driving on salted roads.

The repair cost our organization almost \$500.00. The good news is that the failure happened in the best place possible, a driveway. I thank God that I wasn't driving on the road where the loss of the brakes could have had dire consequences.

Hopefully there is a less dangerous product that can be used. I believe that ignoring the problem will become expensive and dangerous for the people who drive the roads of our state.

Regards,

Michael Soldan

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