

## **The Honorable Adam Kinzinger**

- A. Does your company currently receive Original Equipment (OE) part numbers, part descriptions and other identifying data as coded in the last six digits of the VIN from all automakers?**

Answer: No.

- B. The automotive parts supply chain includes over 500,000 parts that are removed and recycled from vehicles every day. Do your company's databases have the ability to identify these recycled parts, especially if they are subject to a recall, and note their remedy status?**

Answer: No, IHS Automotive databases do not contain recycled parts data. Currently IHS Automotive databases have the capability to identify vehicles that have been junked, salvaged, or dismantled and then rebuilt or reconstructed using the Branded Title data provided by the states. This data does not specify the part in question, however, and does not include all vehicles that have been junked, salvaged, or dismantled.

- C. If so, can IHS incorporate this parts data into an automated system for industry stakeholders so they are also able to track parts that are defective? If not, should Secretary Foxx's recommendation be implemented, could IHS then incorporate the data into an automated system for stakeholders?**

Answer: If OE part information were to be provided at a unique VIN level, this information could be linked to the IHS database and used to support tracking and reporting to the industry. In cooperation with the OEMs, IHS Automotive could modify the existing recall process to provide the VINs, part numbers, and VIN completion status to the salvage yards so that these parts can be identified and handled as appropriate to ensure a recalled part is not available for purchase.