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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Recall Management Division (NVS-215) 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE West Building Washington, DC 20590

To: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)

RE: 49 CFR 573.6(c)(10) - Notices, bulletins and other communications

In accordance with 49 CFR 573.6(c)(10), Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC ("BATO") hereby notifies the agency that on April 15, 2016, we began contacting independent dealers and distributors who may have received tires that are the subject of BATO's Defect or Noncompliance Report submitted April 19, 2016. The communications with independent dealers and distributors were conducted over the telephone. A copy of our communication talking points is attached.

A formal dealer notification letter prepared in accordance with 49 CFR 577.13 will be forthcoming.

Regards,

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