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SECTION 1

PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST

1.1 PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST

Tests were conducted on a 2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV manufactured by Ford Motor Corporation, to determine if the tested vehicle meets the minimum performance requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 124, "Accelerator Control Systems". FMVSS 124 establishes requirements for the return of a vehicle's throttle to the idle position when the actuating force is removed from the accelerator control or in the event of a severance or disconnection in the accelerator control system.

All tests were conducted in compliance with current National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance (OVSC) Laboratory Procedures, specifically, TP-124-06, dated April 2000. Detailed procedures for receiving, inspecting, testing and reporting of test results are described in the test procedures and are not repeated in this report.

SECTION 2

TEST PROCEDURE

2.1 COMPLIANCE TEST PROCEDURE

A 2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV was subjected to FMVSS 124 compliance testing. The tests were conducted at KARCO Engineering, LLC. in Adelanto, California on June 25, 2009. The following tests were performed:

- Inspection
- Time to Return to Idle Position (Complete Normal Operation)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (APS Spring 1 Removed)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (APS Spring 2 Removed)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (APS Disconnect)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (Individual APS Wires Open and Short-to-Ground)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (TPS Spring 1 Removed)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (TPS Disconnect)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (Individual TPS Wires Open and Short-to-Ground)

The vehicle is equipped with an electronic throttle control system with an accelerator pedal position sensor (APS), a throttle position sensor (TPS), an electronic control module (ECM), and a throttle plate actuator motor.

Throttle return time requirements of FMVSS 124 are as follows:

Test Vehicle GVWR	Maximum Throttle Return Time
≤4536 kg	1 second
>4536 kg	2 seconds

2.2 TEST SETUP

Each series of tests were conducted in the following manner: Throttle plate position was measured using the test vehicle's throttle position sensor (TPS) and a TDAS data acquisition system. The time base of the TDAS was used to determine throttle return time where possible. Engine coolant temperature was monitored by placing a thermocouple in the engine coolant, coupled to a digital temperature readout. Engine RPM was monitored using the vehicle's tachometer. Accelerator demand was measured at the accelerator pedal sensor (APS) using a digital voltmeter. Voltage readings were recorded for zero demand, as well as 100% demand (WOT), and then points were calculated for 25%, 50% and 75% demand. Time zero for each test was the instant that accelerator pedal demand was removed, which in the case of an induced

electrical fault (APS or TPS individual wire open or grounding, APS or TPS disconnect) was simultaneous to the induced fault condition.

SECTION 3

SUMMARY OF COMPLIANCE TEST

3.1 TEST DATA SUMMARY

Testing was performed on the subject 2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV on June 25, 2009 to determine compliance with FMVSS 124 "Accelerator Control Systems". The subject vehicle was equipped with a "Drive-By-Wire" accelerator control system. Tests were conducted in the normal operating condition as well as in the following induced system failure modes: throttle return energy removal (TPS Spring 1, APS Spring 1 and 2), electrical system disconnects (APS and TPS electrical connectors), electrical system open circuits (TPS and APS wires), and electrical system circuits shorted to ground (TPS and APS wires).

The return times for some normal operation and fault conditions were greater than one second. In these cases, throttle angle position decreased rapidly followed by a controlled ramp down to the original idle position. Manufacturers sometimes use this ramp down strategy to improve emission control, which may be the cause here. No engine "racing" was observed at any point during the test. Complete data on the testing performed is available in Data Sheet No. 3 of this report.

SECTION 4

COMPLIANCE TEST DATA

Test Vehicle:	2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV	NHTSA No.:	C90203
Test Program: _	FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems	Test Date:	6/25/09

CONVERSION FACTORS USED IN THIS REPORT*

Quantity	Typical Application	Std Units	Metric Unit	Multiply By
Mass	Vehicle Weight	lb	kg	0.4536
Linear Velocity	Impact Velocity	mile/h	km/h	1.609344
Length or Distance	Measurements	in	mm	25.4
Volume	Fuel Systems	gal	liter	3.785
Volume	Small Fluids	οz	mL	29.573
Pressure	Tire Pressures	lbf/in ²	kPa	7.0
Volume	Liquid	gal	liter	3.785
Temperature	General Use	°F	°C	=(tf -32)/1.8
Force	Dynamic Forces	lbf	N	4.448
Moment	Torque	lbf/ft	Nm	1.355

DATA SHEET NO. 1

GENERAL TEST AND VEHICLE PARAMETER DATA

Test Vehicle: 2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV NHTSA No.: C90203

Test Program: FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems Test Date: 6/25/09

TEST VEHICLE INFORMATION AND OPTIONS

NHTSA No.	C90203	Anti-Lock Brakes	Yes
Make	Ford	All Wheel Drive	No
Model	Edge	Power Steering	Yes
Body Style	5-Door MPV	Driver Front Airbag	Yes
Vin No.	2GMDK36C89BA34371	Driver Side Torso Airbag	Yes
Color	White	Driver Side Head Airbag	No
Delivery Date	4/13/2009	Driver Curtain/Airbag	Yes
Odometer (Miles)	2153.6	Rear Pass. Airbag	No
Dealer	Jim Bass Ford	Rear Pass. Side Airbag	No
Transmission	Automatic	Rear Pass. Head Airbag	No
Final Drive	Front	Rear Pass. Curtain/Airbag	Yes
Type/No. Cyl.	6 Cylinder	Pre-Tensioners	Yes
Engine Disp. (L)	3.5	Load Limiters	Yes
Engine Placement	Transverse	Bucket Seats	Yes
Roof Rack	Yes	Air Cond.	Yes
Sunroof/T-Top	No	AM/FM CD	Yes
Tinted Glass	Yes	Tilt Steering	Yes
Traction Control	No	Automatic Door Locks	Yes
Power Brakes	Yes	Power Windows	Yes
Front Disc	Yes	Power Seats	No
Rear Disc	Yes	Other	N/A

Does Owners Manual provide instructions to turn off automatic door locks.

No

DATA FROM CERTIFICATION LABEL

	Ford Motor Corporation		GVWR (kg)	2422
Manufactured By	Ford Motor Corporation		GAWR Front (kg)	1288
Date of Manufacture	Oct-09		GAWR Rear (kg)	1148

VEHICLE SEATING AND CAPACITY WEIGHT INFORMATION

Measured Parameter	Front	Rear	Third	Total
Type of Seats	Bucket	Bench		
Number of Occupants	2	3		5
Capacity Weight (VCW) (kg)				412.0

DATA SHEET NO. 2

VEHICLE THROTTLE CONTROL DATA

Test Vehicle:	2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV	NHTSA No.:	C90203

Test Program: FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems Test Date: 6/25/09

THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM INFORMATION

Throttle Control System Description	Drive by Wire
Describe sources of energy to return	2 Springs on APS, 1 Spring
throttle to idle position	on TPS
Accelerator Throttle Position Sensor	Yes
Electronic Control Module	Yes
Throttle Plate Actuator Motor	Yes
Throttle Plate Position Sensor	Yes

DATA SHEET NO. 2 SUMMARY OF TEST REQUIREMENTS AND RESULTS

Test Vehicle:	2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV	NHTSA No.:	C90203
Test Program:	FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems	Test Date:	06/25/09

Test Description / Connector	Engine Temp. (F)	Idle RPM / Throttle Position %	dle RPM / Throttle Position %	
Throttle Position (Normal Operation)	220	700 / 25%	920.0	Pass
Throttle Position (Normal Operation)	220	700 / 50%	1880.0	See note 1
Throttle Position (Normal Operation)	220	700 / 75%	2150.0	See note 1
Throttle Position (Normal Operation)	220	700 / 100%	2160.0	See note 1
(APS Spring 1 Removed)	220	700 / 25%	230.0	See note 1
(APS Spring 1 Removed)	220	700 / 50%	1500.0	See note 1
(APS Spring 1 Removed)	220	700 / 75%	1870.0	See note 1
(APS Spring 1 Removed)	220	700 / 100%	2290.0	See note 1
(APS Spring 2 Removed)	220	700 / 25%	350.0	Pass
(APS Spring 2 Removed)	220	700 / 50%	1390.0	See note 1
(APS Spring 2 Removed)	220	700 / 75%	1780.0	See note 1
(APS Spring 2 Removed)	220	700 / 100%	2090.0	See note 1
(APS Blue/White Open)	220	700 / 100%	2790.0	See note 1
(APS Blue/Gray Open)	220	700 / 100%	2610.0	See note 1
(APS Green/White Open)	220	700 / 100%	2630.0	See note 1
(APS Yellow/Orange Open)	220	700 / 100%	2620.0	See note 1
(APS Yellow/Green Open)	220	700 / 100%	2490.0	See note 1
(APS Purple/Green Open)	220	700 / 100%	2430.0	See note 1
(APS Green/Orange Open)	220	700 / 100%	2510.0	See note 1

(1) The return times for some normal operation and fault conditions resulted in return time greater than 1 second. In these cases, throttle angle position decreased rapidly followed by a controlled ramp down to the original idle position. Manufacturers sometimes use this ramp- down strategy for improved emission control which may be the case here. No engine "racing" was observed at any point in the testing.

DATA SHEET NO. 2...(Continued) SUMMARY OF TEST REQUIREMENTS AND RESULTS

Test Vehicle:	2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV	NHTSA No.:	C90203
Test Program:	FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems	Test Date:	06/25/09

Test Description / Connector	Engine Temp. (F)	Idle RPM / Throttle Position %		Pass/Fail
(APS Blue/White Short)	220	700 / 100%	2970.0	See note 1
(APS Blue/Gray Short)	220	700 / 100%	180.0	Pass
(APS Green/White Short)	220	700 / 100%	2660.0	See note 1
(APS Yellow/Orange Short)	220	700 / 100%	2700.0	See note 1
(APS Yellow/Green Short)	220	700 / 100%	2660.0	See note 1
(APS Purple/Green Short)	220	700 / 100%	2690.0	See note 1
(APS Green/Orange Short)	220	700 / 100%	110.0	Pass
(APS Disconnect)	220	700 / 100%	2870.0	See note 3
(TPS Spring 1 Removed)	220	700 / 100%	N/A	See note 2
(TPS Green/Blue Open)	220	700 / 100%	N/A	See note 4
(TPS Brown Open)	220	700 / 100%	2050.0	See note 1
(TPS Yellow/Brown Open)	220	700 / 100%	N/A	See note 4
(TPS Yellow Open)	220	700 / 100%	120.0	Pass
(TPS Blue/Orange Open)	220	700 / 100%	N/A	See note 5
(TPS Green/Brown Open)	220	700 / 100%	N/A	See note 6
(TPS Green/Blue Short)	220	700 / 100%	N/A	See note 5
(TPS Brown Short)	220	700 / 100%	2180.0	See note 3
(TPS Yellow/Brown Short)	220	700 / 100%	2050.0	See note 3
(TPS Yellow Short)	220	700 / 100%	90.0	Pass

(1) The return times for some normal operation and fault conditions resulted in return time greater than 1 second. In these cases, throttle angle position decreased rapidly followed by a controlled ramp down to the original idle position. Manufacturers sometimes use this ramp- down strategy for improved emission control which may be the case here. No engine "racing" was observed at any point in the testing.

(2) No data collected. Removal of the TPS Spring would not allow any engine control by the accelerator pedal.

(3) Limp Mode after returning to its idle state. RPM dropped to 1100 and disabled APS (Accelerator Pedal).

(4) Limp Mode at approximate 27% throttle position. RPM dropped to 1100 and disabled APS (Accelerator Pedal). Throttle never returned to baseline position.

(5) Limp Mode. Induced wire fault causes loss or throttle position sensor reading. RPM Dropped to 1100 but the APS (Accelerator Pedal) is still functional. The RPM is limited between 1100 and 2700 RPM with a 100% WOT. Throttle never returned to baseline position.

(6) Induced wire fault causes loss of throttle position sensor reading. The motor shut off.

DATA SHEET NO. 2...(Continued) SUMMARY OF TEST REQUIREMENTS AND RESULTS

Test Vehicle:	2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV	NHTSA No.:	C90203
Test Program:	FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems	Test Date:	06/25/09

Test Description / Connector	Engine Temp. (F)	Idle RPM / Throttle Position %	Return Time (msec)	Pass/Fail
(TPS Blue/Orange Short)	220	700 / 100%	N/A	See note 4
(TPS Green/Brown Short)	220	700 / 100%	110.0	Pass
(TPS/ Throttle Plate Motor Disconnect)	220	700 / 100%	120.0	Pass

(4) Limp Mode at approximate 27% throttle position. RPM dropped to 1100 and disabled APS (Accelerator Pedal). Throttle never returned to baseline position.

APPENDIX A PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure A-1: Front View of Vehicle



Figure A-2: Left Side View of Vehicle



Figure A-3: Right Side View of Vehicle



Figure A-4: Vehicle's Certification Label

combinand car	EATING CAPACITY ned weight of oc	TOTAL: 5 FRON cupants: 412 kg	T: 2 REAR: 3 g or 909 lbs
TIRE	SIZE	COLD TIRE PRESSURE	SEE OWNERS
RONT	P235/65R17	240 KPA, 35 PSI	MANUAL FOR
REAR	P235/65R17	240 KPA, 35 PSI	ADDITIONAL
SPARE	T105/00017		INFORMATION

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2009 FORD EDGE NHTSA NO. C90203 FMVSS NO. 124 Figure A-5: Vehicle's Tire Placard



Figure A-6: Throttle Body Assembly









Figure A-10: Accelerator Pedal Assembly





Figure A-12: Accelerator Pedal Test Setup



Figure A-13: Vehicle Test Setup



Figure A-14: Instrumentation

APPENDIX B DATA PLOTS























APPENDIX-C

TEST EQUIPMENT AND CALIBRATION INFORMATION

FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems Test Equipment List and Calibration Information 6/25/09 2009 Ford Edge 5-Door MPV

Description	Manufacturer	Model No.	Serial No.	Limit	Accuracy	Cal. Date	Due Cal.
TDAS	DTS	TDAS	DM0101	N/A	SAE J211	11/14/08	11/14/09
Computer	Toshiba	PAS4014	X8065355A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A



APPENDIX-D MANUFACTURER SUBMITTED INFORMATION

VEHICLE INFORMATION / TEST SPECIFICATIONS

FMVSS No. 124

Requested Information: 2009 Model Year Ford Edge.

1. A sketch of the driver operated accelerator control system (ACS) starting from the accelerator pedal up to and including the fuel metering device (carburetor, fuel injectors, fuel distributor, or fuel injection pump).



With electronic controls, a gasoline engine controls air and fuel by transmitting signals as shown above: 1) from the accelerator pedal position sensor to the Powertrain Control Module (PCM), 2) from the PCM to the drive motor on the throttle body assembly (which controls air flow via the throttle plate position), 3) from the throttle position sensor back to the PCM, and 4) from the PCM to the fuel injector (injector pulse length controls fuel quantity).

 For Normal ACS operation, the method utilized to determine the engine idle state (air throttle plate position, fuel delivery rate, other).
 Throttle plate position (assessment that controller has sufficiently returned the throttle to idle control).

- For Fail-Safe operation of the ACS (disconnection or severance), the method utilized to determine return of engine power to the idle state (air throttle plate position, fuel delivery rate, air intake, engine rpm, other)
 Throttle plate position (assessment that controller has sufficiently returned the throttle to idle control).
- 4. Is the vehicle ACS equipped with any of the following:
 - A. Accelerator Pedal Position Sensor (APS)
 - B. Throttle Plate Position Sensor (TPS)
 - C. Electronic Control Module (ECM)
 - D. Air throttle plate actuator motor

Yes, to all of the above.

5. If air throttle plate equipped, is there a procedure which can be utilized by the test laboratory to measure the position of the throttle plate by tapping into the TPS or ECM? If so, please describe.
Yes, the wires can be directly tapped by a high impedance probe (minimum 1 MHz impedance, 5 KHz filter) or the signals can be monitored via the PCM using an OBD II compatible service tool plugged into the service diagnostic port. The SAE J1979 Throttle Position PIDS are: Throttle Position 1: 11(hex) Throttle Position 2: 47(hex)

- 6. Point(s) chosen to demonstrate compliance with FMVSS No. 124 for single point disconnect and severance.
 - 1) Accelerator Pedal Position Sensors (all three tested individually: APP1 / Pin C-25, APP2 / Pin C-26, APP3 / Pin C-27)
 - 2) Accelerator Pedal Position Sensor Vrefs (both tested individually: ETCREF / Pin C-21, ETCREF / Pin C-28. Vref is internally bussed in the pedal sensor so potentially only one needs to be tested)
 - Accelerator Pedal Position Sensor Grounds (One tested individually: Pin C-59, One not tested, Pin C-65. Ground is internally bussed in the pedal sensor, so it shouldn't matter which one is tested).
 - 4) Throttle Position Sensors (both tested individually: TP1-NS / Pin E-61, TP2-PS / Pin E-60)
 - 5) Throttle Position Sensor Vref (ETCREF / Pin E-66)
 - 6) Throttle Position Sensor Ground (ETCRTN / Pin E-59)
 - 7) Throttle Body Motor Power Supply '+' (TACM+ / Pin E-34)
 - 8) Throttle Body Motor Power Supply '-' (TACM- / Pin E-51)
 - 9) Throttle Body Motor Return Spring Broken (actual part change)

10) Accelerator Pedal Return Spring – 1 Spring Broken (actual part change)

- Where applicable, were connections in the ACS beyond the ECM such as the fuel injectors tested for disconnection and severance. If yes, provide details.
 No, all power to engine is controlled via throttle controller.
- Where applicable, were idle return times tested for electrical severance accompanied by shorting to ground? If yes, please provide details.
 No, PCM has same response whether signals are opened or shorted to ground.
- **9.** All sources of return energy (springs) for the accelerator pedal and if applicable, the air throttle plate.

Accelerator Pedal – 2 springs Throttle Body (Throttle Plate) – 1 DC Motor, 1 return spring

- **10.** If fuel delivery rate is used to demonstrate return to idle state, provide:
 - A. The method used to measure this signal i.e. connection to standard SAE J1587 data bus.
 - B. Equipment required to measure signal. **Not applicable**
- 11. Fuel rate signal output range at the idle state. **Fuel delivery rate is not used.**
- 12. Is the ACS equipped with a limp home mode? If yes, provide operation description.
 Yes. Throttle springs return throttle plate to approximately 7-7.8 degrees from fully closed throttle when failure prevents motor from controlling throttle plate. Under this condition, RPM control is used to disable fuel injectors to limit engine RPM.
- Method by which the test laboratory can record engine RPM by connection to ECM, OBD connector, etc.
 Engine RPM may be measured via a diagnostic scan tool connected to the OBD II connector. The SAE J1979 PID for Engine RPM is Engine RPM: 0C (hex)