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Steven Cliff, Deputy Administrator National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, D.C. 20590

## Re: Regulation of LED Headlights and Daytime Running Lights

Dear Deputy Administrator Cliff,

I write at the urging of constituents in western Massachusetts about the need to regulate LED headlights and daytime running lights because of the impact they have on people who have become sick and experienced life-threatening neurological reactions to LED lighting.

There is an online petition that has over 30,000 signatures requesting that NHTSA take action to solve the blinding LED headlight issue.[1] On behalf of my constituents I am writing to ask:

- 1. What steps must be taken to regulate the peak luminance of LED headlights, LED Daytime Running Lights, brake lights, taillights, and turn signals?
- 2. What steps must be taken to regulate the Spectral Power Distribution of LED headlights and LED Daytime Running Lights to limit blue wavelength light?

Thank you for your consideration of these important questions.

Sincerely,

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[1] https://www.change.org/p/u-s-dot-ban-blinding-headlights-and-save-lives