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LED Headlights are Dangerous and Illegal

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To: advocates@saferoads.org, contact@autosafety.org, rweintraub@consumerfed.org

Dear Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, The Center for Auto Safety, and Consumer Federation of America,

We read about your letter to Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg about the false statistic that 94% of all serious accidents are solely the result of operator error.

<https://abcnews.go.com/Business/wireStory/ntsb-chief-fed-agency-stop-misleading-statistics-82334857>

The Soft Lights Foundation has been attempting to have Secretary Buttigieg and NHTSA act on the issue of blinding LED headlights. Pedestrian deaths have been increasing dramatically over the past several years, in direct correlation with the release of LED headlights. LED flashing lights are also impossible to see through, and yet there are no regulations on LEDs.

NHTSA has never approved flat-surface emitters for use as a vehicle headlight. This means that all LED headlights on the road are illegal. This means that the insurance companies are insuring vehicles that are both dangerous and using headlights that do not comply with federal regulation FMVSS-108.

Our petition to ban blinding LED headlights has tens of thousands of signatures and comments: <https://www.change.org/p/u-s-dot-ban-blinding-headlights-and-save-lives>

The Soft Lights Foundation would like to collaborate with your groups on this matter. Will you please contact us to discuss.

Sincerely,

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