

DEC SECRETARY GENERAL

Mr. François Courau ETSI MSG Chairman ETSI Headquarter Sophia-Antipolis France

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Dear Mr. Courau,

I refer to our letter to you from 31 October 2008 where ACEA kindly asked ETSI not to take a final decision on a standardized transport protocol for a public pan-European emergency service (eCall) at its meeting the same day but give the automotive industry the opportunity to first evaluate the different solutions offered.

In the meantime the Automobile Manufacturers have had the opportunity to discuss open questions and issues together with the three candidates. During the discussions it became obvious that each of the solutions offered has its strengths but also weaknesses so that we do not feel in a position to give a recommendation for the one or other candidate. Some of our members even think that an in-band-modem solution is not the best choice either.

Consequently, we leave the responsibility to ETSI as the specialist in this matter to make the right recommendation.

From our point of view any solution needs to meet legal requirements with regard to data protection and privacy, fulfills the high quality and performance standards as outlined in the agreed specifications, is reliable, trustful and provides effective safety, ensures an open source solution, is license free and does not put any additional burdens on the industry.

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