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Dear Mr Dijsselbloem,

In November 2015, the Volkswagen Group announced that comprehensive investigations into potential irregularities in the certification of vehicles had indicated that incorrect CO₂ emissions data may have been recorded. Such irregularities could have led to (vehicle) tax-related consequences. We have carried out comprehensive internal tests to check these suspicions. External tests were also conducted by a technical service under the supervision of the German Federal Motor Transport Authority (KBA).

Today, I would like to inform you that this type approval re-testing has shown that retrospective adjustments of the so-called catalogue values (incl. CO₂ data) are not necessary. Only for six model variants in Model Year 2016 did the CO₂ data have to be slightly adjusted with effect for the future. This was already carried out in February of this year.

The results of the investigations demonstrate that no incorrect data relating to emissions levels and fuel consumption in series production vehicles was provided during the approval process. This means that any potential tax back payments can be ruled out.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,