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Daniel F. Akerson Chairman and Chief Executive Officer General Motors P.O. Box 33170 Detroit, MI 48232

Dear Mr. Akerson:

I write to request that General Motors honor the promises it made to the Delphi salaried retirees. As you know, many of these individuals spent their entire careers working for GM until the Delphi Corporation was spun off as an independent company in 1999; six years later, Delphi filed for bankruptcy. When Delphi's pension plans were terminated in 2009, its salaried retirees lost their life insurance, their healthcare and up to 70 percent of their pensions.

When GM split from Delphi, it did not relinquish its responsibility to its employees and retirees. I ask that you remember the Delphi salaried retirees in New York and across the nation who request the restoration of the benefits they earned.

General Motors is a major employer in Western New York, and I celebrate GM's recovery from the economic crisis that ravaged the American auto industry. I wish your company many more years of success, and request that that you include the Delphi salaried retirees in your successes. These men and women planned their futures around the premise that if they worked hard and kept their commitments to their employer, their employer would keep its commitments to them. I ask that you help honor the promises to the Delphi salaried retirees so that they and their families may receive relief as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

Kathleen C. Hochul

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