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Dear Gentlemen:

This letter is in response to Docket No. 98-4124, notice 1.

I currently own my third GM care with the running lights. They are one of the best safety features since the third brake light. There is no doubt that every day my car is more visible and therefore safer to drive because other drivers see the lights and the car and behave more safely. DRL's are a proven safety item and work.

If the conditions are bright enough running lights are not glaring. If it is dark enough, then the lights should be on anyway. Glare is not the issue, being seen IS! If the intensity is reduced to any degree then the whole idea becomes useless. I will simply put my regular lights on as many other people are doing right now. They do not have running lights and perhaps have their high beams on without realizing it.

In any case Daytime Running Lights are a valuable safety feature and need to left and is or be made mandatory at the current intensity.

Give us a brake. Don't fix what does not need fixing. Thank you for your attention and time.

Sincerely,



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