

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA
INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION**

In re: BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE, INC., TIRES PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION)	Master File No. IP 00-9373-C-B/S MDL NO. 1373
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ENTRY FOR MARCH 11, 2002

The parties appeared, by counsel, this date for a telephonic status conference regarding Ford's database production, during which the following was discussed:

1. Ford, along with its technical consultant, is reviewing the plaintiffs' newly-clarified request for semantic information for the AWS database, and will report to the plaintiffs whether it can comply with the request.
2. The MORS II and MORS III data has been provided to the plaintiffs in .csv format, and Ford will provide the CQIS database in .csv format by March 13, 2002. Ford confirms that it is not redacting any data from the .csv version of these databases before providing them to the plaintiffs.
3. The consultants are still discussing the issue of the semantic and syntactic information for the GCARS and VSAD databases to be provided to the plaintiffs.
4. Ford is still trying to locate someone with knowledge of the NAVIS database, so that issue remains open.
5. Ford has completed its search of the OASIS database using the VIN numbers and condition codes agreed upon by the parties, and will provide the results to the plaintiffs by the end of today. The plaintiffs believe that it may be possible to search OASIS without using a specific VIN number; Ford does not believe that is the case, but agrees to discuss it further with plaintiffs.

6. Ford has provided plaintiffs with tapes to replace the empty CNACS database tapes they received; Ford is still working to provide replacement tapes for the AFIS database.
7. Ford confirms that the “data mining” tapes provided to the plaintiffs are identical to what was produced to NHTSA and is generally referred to as the NHTSA data mining project.
8. The confusion regarding the existence of a “lessons learned” database remains open. Ford agrees to arrange a telephone conference between Ford’s counsel, plaintiffs’ counsel Richard Denney, and David Burnette, the Ford engineer who mentioned the “lessons learned” database during his deposition, in order to discuss the issue.
9. Ford confirms that the CQIS manual produced in this litigation on CD-ROM is identical to the hard copy manual that was produced in prior litigation.
10. Another telephonic conference to discuss any remaining issues regarding Ford’s database production will be held on **Tuesday, March 19, 2002, at noon**. Mr. Buchanan, counsel for the plaintiffs, will arrange the call and inform the court and liaison counsel of the arrangements.

ENTERED this _____ day of March 2002.

V. Sue Shields
United States Magistrate Judge
Southern District of Indiana

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