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## **TO: Collision Repair Industry**

### **POSITION STATEMENT: “Clip” Repair (Sectioning of two vehicles)**

Full body sectioning also known as a “Clip” is the practice of removing assumed salvageable portions, components, or parts from a damaged vehicle and using the “clip” to replace damaged portions, components, parts of another vehicle.

This process may include but is not limited to cutting two vehicles at the windshield pillars, rocker panels and across the floor pan then joining the assumed undamaged components together. A “clip” is not limited to full body sectioning and may include sectioning of frame rails or other areas of the body structure.

Hyundai does not recommend “Clip” repairs. Body sectioning “Clip” may compromise the quality of the repair and crashworthiness of any subsequent collisions and therefore is not Hyundai approved procedure for the following reasons:

- Each “Clip” is unique and is therefore an untested or validated repair.
- “Clip” may have an unknown history with hidden environmental damage.
- Removal techniques may damage components or reduce performance of materials.
- “Clip” may not match as originally designed due to component/part changes occurring throughout the vehicle lifecycle.
- Issues may occur with fit, finish, alignment, functionality, reliability, corrosion, NVH and water leaks.
- May decrease the structural integrity as originally designed into the vehicle.
- Vehicle occupants and others may be put at risk in the event of a future collision.

Furthermore, using “clip” components/parts may void, Hyundai new vehicle warranty, service part warranty, corrosion warranty, extended warranties and protection plans. Hyundai Motor Finance lease agreements may require the use of genuine Hyundai original equipment parts. Additionally, state laws may require re-titling the repaired vehicle as rebuilt or salvage.

Valuing customer safety and quality repairs, Hyundai requests the collision industry follow the above position statement and recommends selecting only original genuine Hyundai replacement parts to achieve safe and quality repairs while maintaining requirements of Hyundai warranty policies.