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Dear Andrew

I am writing in response to your written question reference, WQ89933.

Car manufacturers have not raised concerns with me about this issue. The evidence indicates that slower driving speeds cause less wear and tear to a vehicle, due to the reduced acceleration and braking required to drive at 20mph.

Furthermore, neither Spain, who brought in a default 30KMph (19mph) speed limit in urban areas in 2021, or London, who continue to extend their 20mph limits (as it has led to a significant reduction in deaths and serious injuries), have seen evidence of vehicle damage from driving slower.

Yours sincerely

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