



U.S. Department
of Transportation
National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

DOT Auto Safety Hotline
Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire
To Report Vehicle Safety Defects
1-888-DASH-2-DOT
(1-888-327-4236)
INTERNET: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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18-DEC-2002

Reference No.
10001123

OFFICE
DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City

FLUSHING

State

NY

Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number

Evening Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☐ YES ☒ NO

In the absence of authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date 1/17/03

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Make

DODGE

Model

INTREPID

Model Year

1994

Date Purchased

Oct. 1993

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

Northern Blvd. Dodge

Engine:

No. Cylinders

6

Fuel Type:

Gasoline

Original Owner

☒

Dealer's City

Flushing

State

NY

Zip Code

11361

Transmission Type

Automatic

☒ Antilock Brakes

☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain

3.3 Liter V6 Engine

4SPD Electronic Automatic Trans.

Vehicle Component Code

181000 VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL:ACCELERATOR PEDAL

Multiple Failure: Air Bags did not deploy

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

08-DEC-2002

Failure Mileage

Failure Speed

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make

Tire Model (Name or Number)

Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)

DOT No. (Example: DOTM1SABC036)

☐ Original Equipment

☐ Prior Repair

Failure Location:

Tire Component Code

Tire Failure Type

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE

Make:

Date Manufactured:

Model No./Name:

Seat Type:

Installation System:

Child Seat Component Code:

Failed Part:

APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), failure(s), crash(es), and injury(ies).)

Crash

☐ Yes ☒ No

Fire

☐ Yes ☒ No

Number of Persons Injured

2

Number of Deaths

Reported to Police

N

Narrative Description of Incident(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies).

Please describe (1) events leading up to the failure, (2) failure and its consequences, and (3) what was done to correct the failure;

Le, parts repaired or replaced (and if old part is available).

CONSUMER'S VEHICLE WAS IN PARK. CONSUMER STATES PUT VEHICLE IN GEAR AND THERE WAS A RUBBING NOISE AND VEHICLE TOOK OFF AND WOULD NOT STOP. CAUSE IS UNKNOWN. PLEASE DESCRIBE FURTHER. TS

Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

The Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-579) This information is requested pursuant to authority vested in the National Highway Traffic Safety Act and subsequent amendments. You are under no obligation to respond to this questionnaire. Your response may be used to assist the NHTSA in determining whether a manufacturer should take appropriate action to correct a safety defect. If the NHTSA proceeds with administrative enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

How did the accident happen?

I had parked in multi-level garage at JFK Airport, backing into a space. When my wife and I returned, I started the car, moved a couple of feet, and heard a rumbling noise underneath. I put it into reverse and heard the same noise. I shut the engine for 10-15 seconds, started up again, and when I put it into Drive, the car shot forward, engine was racing, we crossed the lane, and hit concrete road dividers on other side. We hit the dividers at juncture where two of them met, and spread them apart. The car was still racing and we continued for another 10-15 feet when we hit a concrete pillar, which brought us to a stop. Front end damage was considerable and the car was totalled. Despite the severe damage, the Air Bags never deployed.



DAIMLERCHRYSLER

DaimlerChrysler
Motors Company LLC

December 30, 2002

[REDACTED]
Flushing, NY [REDACTED]

Reference No.: 10736031
V.I.N.: 2B3ED46T4RH153946

Dear [REDACTED]

This will further acknowledge contact to DaimlerChrysler Motors Corporation, regarding your 1994 Dodge Intrepid.

[REDACTED] naturally, we were sorry to learn of the incident described to us during the initial contact. However, we have had the opportunity to review the inspection report and must inform you that we are not led to believe that the incident was due to a manufacturing responsibility. Therefore, we must respectfully decline any assistance associated with this incident.

Based on this information, we can only suggest that you refer this matter to your insurance carrier. Should they feel a manufacturing responsibility exists, they have full subrogation rights under the terms of your policy.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity in reviewing this matter with you.

Sincerely,



J. S. Susalla
Special Investigations
(248) 944-7149

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INVASION OF PERSONAL PRIVACY
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ACT (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(6).**