



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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**OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)**

Name

Address

City

TEMPE

State AZ

Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Evening Telephone Number

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle?  YES  NO  
In the absence of an authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.  
Signature of Owner: Michael Hux Date: 2/16/03

**VEHICLE INFORMATION**

17-digit vehicle identification number located at bottom of windshield (type page 1)  
1GZWR521DP273821

Make  
PONTIAC

Model  
GRAND PRIX

Model Year  
1999

Date Purchased  
01-APR-99

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number  
SUN PONTIAC

Engine  
No. Cylinders

Fuel Type  
Gas

Original Owner

Dealer's City  
MESA

State  
AZ

Zip Code

Transmission Type  
AUTOMATIC

Antilock Brakes  
 Cruise Control

Powertrain

Vehicle Component Code  
110000 ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Multiple Failure: 1

**FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION**

Incident Date(s)  
20-JAN-2003

Failure Mileage  
43,000

Failure Speed  
PARKED

**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: DOTM19ABC036)

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

Fire

Number of Persons Injured

Number of Deaths

Reported to Police

FIRE DEPT.

Yes  No

Yes  No

"NONE"

NONE

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YES

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; i.e., parts repaired or replaced (and if old part is available).

THE VEHICLE EXPERIENCED PROBLEMS WITH THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM, AND THE CAUGHT ON FIRE.\*JB

CAR WAS PARKED AND TURNED OFF. SPONTANEOUSLY  
CAUGHT FIRE ~ 10 MIN AFTERWARDS. MESA FIRE DEPT.  
RESPONDED & EXTINGUISHED FIRE. CAR WAS A  
TOTAL LOSS. GM INVESTIGATED, BUT REFUSED TO PROVIDE  
RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION OR TO TAKE ANY RESPONSIBILITY

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

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

The Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-502) 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.