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	[redacted]	Daytime Telephone Number	E-mail Address
Address	[redacted]		
City DAMARISCOTTA	State ME	Zip Code [redacted]	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 [redacted] Date 4/20/03

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side	Make	Model	Model Year
5TEWN72N72Z012422	GULF TOYOTA	TACOMA	2002

Date Purchased	Dealer's Name and Telephone Number			Engine: No. Cylinders	Fuel Type:
11/30/01 Leased	Maine Mall Motors 207-774-1429			6	Gasoline
Original Owner ☐	Dealer's City So. Portland	State ME	Zip Code 04106		

Transmission Type			Vehicle Component Code
AUTOMATIC	☒ Antilock Brakes ☒ Cruise Control	Powertrain	103000 POWER TRAIN:AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION
			Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)	Failure Mileage	Failure Speed
12/02	12,102	45 MPH

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: DOTMALSABC036)	☐ 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
☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ Yes ☒ No	0	0	N Lincoln County

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 DOWN SHIFTED 2 GEARS, WHICH CAUSED THE VEHICLE TO SPIN OUT OF CONTROL. *JB C. Ross Hiway 9 Rolled over onto right side, causing $1,000's in damage. Other Vehicles, cars and trucks were going up that same hill with no Problems whatsoever. If traffic had been coming south at the time # of persons injured could have been quite different. Apparently this truck has a high speed Low torque engine, fine for a race car but what good is it in a pickup truck? over

Include, if Available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

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I have communicated with Toyota by phone and E-mail and have not had the courtesy of a reply to either. Apparently they are unconcerned about this problem. By the way there were 3 other Toyota Pick Ups in the body shop at the same time as mine with the same damages. Also the rescue people who showed up at the accident scene remarked that they respond to 2 or 3 Toyota Tacoma rear wheel drive PU accidents every week all winter long. (Sound like a problem to you?)

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