



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]  
Address [REDACTED]  
City LE CLAIRE State IA Zip Code [REDACTED]

Daytime Telephone Number [REDACTED] E-mail Address [REDACTED]  
Evening Telephone Number [REDACTED]

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle?  
In the absence of an authorized signature, your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.  YES  NO  
Signature of Owner [REDACTED] Date 1/6/04

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side  
1YVGD31A2J [REDACTED] Make MAZDA Model MX6 Year 1988  
Date Purchased 1988 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number DEALERSHIP CLOSED  
Original Owner  Dealer's City MOBILE, IL State IL Zip Code [REDACTED] Engine: No. Cylinders 4 Fuel Type: GASOLINE  
Transmission Type  Antilock Brakes  Powertrain FWD Vehicle Component Code 022000 SUSPENSION: REAR  
Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 26-DEC-2003 Failure Mileage 140,000 Failure Speed 60 MPH SMOOTH ROAD (I-80)

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make [REDACTED] Tire Model (Name or Number) [REDACTED] Tire Size (Example P215/65R15) [REDACTED]  
DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC038)  Original Equipment  Prior Repair Failure Location: [REDACTED]  
Tire Component Code [REDACTED] Tire Failure Type [REDACTED]

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE

Make: [REDACTED] Date Manufactured: [REDACTED] Model No./Name: [REDACTED]  
Seat Type: [REDACTED] Installation System: [REDACTED]  
Child Seat Component Code: [REDACTED] Failed Part: [REDACTED]

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 NONE Number of Deaths [REDACTED] Reported to Police N

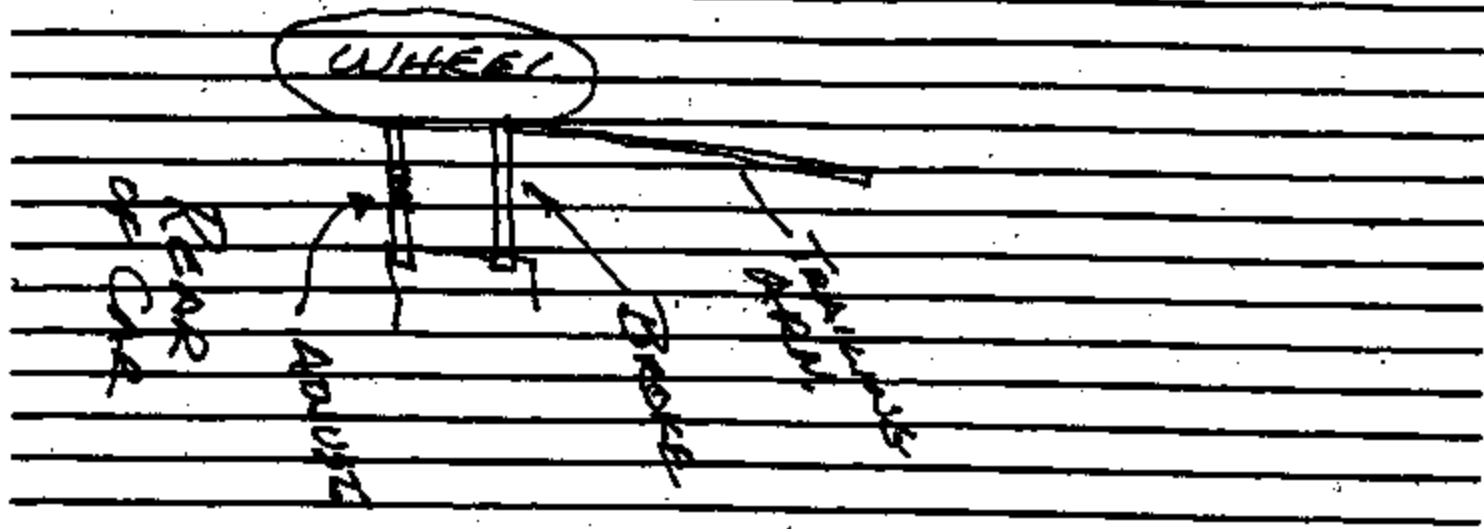
Narrative Description of Incident(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies).  
Please describe (1) events leading up to the failure, (2) failure and its consequences, and (3) what was done to correct the failure; i.e. parts repaired or replaced (and if old part is available).

WHILE DRIVING AT AN UNDETERMINED SPEED AND WITH NO WARNING REAR SUSPENSION COLLAPSED. CONSUMER HAD VEHICLE TOWED TO THE INDEPENDENT GARAGE - REPAIRED W/ USED LINKS  
RIGHT REAR LATERAL LINK BROKE AT INTERSTATE 80 SPEED APPROX 60 MPH. FAILURE DUE TO SALT CORROSION. CAR SPUN 360° AND SLID ACROSS LEFT LANE INTO MEDIAN. MECHANIC EASILY BROKE THE LEFT SIDE LINK. BOTH REPLACED. THE ADJUSTABLE LATERAL LINKS ARE OK.

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.

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



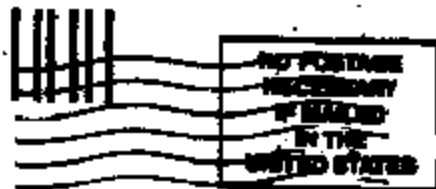
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