



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
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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name: [Redacted]
Address: [Redacted]
City: HOMER State: GA Zip Code: [Redacted]

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? YES NO
In the absence of an authorized signature, NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner: [Redacted] Date: 6/18/04

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side: 1GCCS1447X [Redacted]
Make: CHEVROLET Model: S10 Model Year: 1999
Date Purchased: 8-23-01 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number: Auto Experts
Original Owner: Dealer's City: Alpharetta State: GA Zip Code: 30004
Engine: No. Cylinders: 4 Fuel Type: unleaded
Transmission Type: Auto Antilock Brakes: Grabs Control:
Powertrain: [Redacted] Vehicle Component Code: 102510 STRUCTURE:BODY:TAILGATE:HINGE AND ATTACHMENTS
Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s): 21-MAY-2004 Failure Mileage: [Redacted] Failure Speed: [Redacted]

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: DOTM1LBASC038): [Redacted] 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: [Redacted] 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).

PASSENGER'S SIDE TAILGATE BROKE IN HALF DUE TO CORROSION. CONSUMER TOOK THE VEHICLE TO THE DEALER FOR INSPECTION, AND MECHANIC INFORMED THE CONSUMER THAT THIS PART WAS NOT UNDER RECALL. *AK

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)

PASSENGER side tailgate cable broke from corrosion. It is dangerous for me because I sometimes load my motorcycle in the back of the truck to haul it. If other cables should break while riding back up ramp, I could get severely hurt. They did recall on 2000 of about trucks for the same problem. They should have done it for the 99 year models also.

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