



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 LANDRUM State SC Zip Code [Redacted]

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

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? YES NO
In the absence of a signature, please print the name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner [Redacted] Date 6/15/04

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of front shield on driver's side
IGNES 165726 [Redacted]
Make CHEVROLET Model TRAILBLAZER Model Year 2002
Date Purchased 05-02 Dealer's Name/Address/Phone Number Bradshaw Chevrolet, (864) 879-7111
Original Owner Dealer's City/State/Zip Code Greenville, SC 29652
Engine: No. Cylinders 6 Fuel Type: Gas
Transmission Type Automatic Antilock Brakes Cruise Control Powertrain Rear wheel drive
Vehicle Component Code Q17500 STEERING:LINKAGES:TIE ROD ASSEMBLY
Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 02-JUN-2004 Failure Mileage 42000 Failure Speed 0 mph
Because I took off my vehicle, I had taken it to get front end alignment because of front tire wear. Found worn tie rod ends that could have been disastrous if not taken care of.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make Michelin Tire Model (Name or Number) LTX Tire Size (Example P215/85R15) P245/65R17
DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC038) DOT #NKTDW3X120 Original Equipment Prior Repair Failure Location: No tire failure
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).

TIE ROD ENDS WORE OUT AT 42000 MILES. *AK

Tie Rod Ends should not be wore out @ 42,000 miles on any vehicle!
If not taken care of, could spell disaster on Interstate Highways.

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.