



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

RICHLAND CENTER

State WI

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 authorized signature, your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner Date 8/12/05

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side

Make

DODGE

Model

RAM 2500

Model Year

2001

3B7KF236416

Date Purchased
28-SEP-01

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

Richland County Chrysler 608-647-2233

Engine:

No: Cylinders 8

Fuel Type:

Diesel

Original Owner

☒

Dealer's City

Richland Center

State

WI

Zip Code

53581

Transmission Type

AUTOMATIC

☒ Antilock Brakes

☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain

4 WHEEL DRIVE

Vehicle Component Code

021000 SUSPENSION:FRONT

Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

24-JUN-2005

Failure Mileage

40000

Failure Speed

45

Right Side Ball Joints, Inner & Outer Tie Rod
Ends and Track Bar Due to Loosiness.

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: DOTM9ABC036)

☐ 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

☐ Yes ☒ No

Fire

☐ Yes ☒ No

Number of Persons Injured

Number of Deaths

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).

DT: WAS PULLING A TRAILER AT 45 MPH AND VEHICLE STARTED FISH TAILING. WITHOUT THE TRAILER AT 55 MPH THE VEHICLE WILL FISH TAIL. TOOK THE VEHICLE TO CHRYSLER, AND FOUND THAT IT WAS SHAKY. THE TIE RODS ENDS, BALL JOINTS, AND THE CHECK BAR MALFUNCTIONED ON THE FRONT OF THE VEHICLE. ALMOST HAD A WRECK. THIS HAPPENED ON 24, JUNE 2005. *AK

Truck was poorly designed Front end too light for weight of cummins diesel engine, also no grease fitting for Ball Joints Due to fish tailing tire on trailer Blew out plus complete destruction of wheel & trailer check not defects to be found

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)

Due to poor suspension of truck I came very close to fatal Accident
plus Due to Fish biting it completely destroy trailer wheel and Tire.
This truck was service by chrysler they never Reported any
damage to front of truck when in for Routine Service

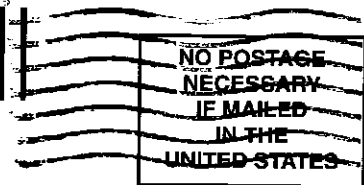
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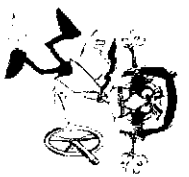


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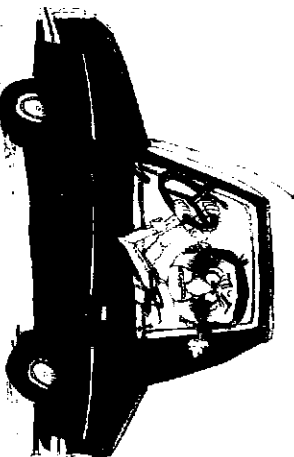
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