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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
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Re: 2002 Ford Explorer Accelerator

To Whom It May Concern:

On June 1, 2005, my accelerator stuck wide opening my 2002 Ford Explorer while passing a car. The Explorer was out of control. I put the car in neutral and the engine ran wide open (engine damage?). I had to turn the engine off going the 85 mph it had accelerated to, with no power steering or brakes. I had to dodge traffic, sign and pedestrians till I could find a place to coast to a stop in someone's front yard. If not for quick thinking, I could have killed someone or myself. The Explorer was totally out of control as my nerves were. I saw this attached article in the Washington Post. This is dangerous, and needs to be taken care of now!

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you might have.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

As a man
7/26/05

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Some Ford Accelerators Probed

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is investigating the acceleration of some Ford Motor vehicles. One inquiry involves reports that the engine throttle in 2002 Ford Explorers and Mercury Mountaineers became stuck in the open position, causing unwanted acceleration. The other involves whether the carpeting interfered with the accelerator pedal in the 2003 Mustang, Mustang convertible and Mustang GT, and the 2004 Mustang.