



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
(1-888-327-4238)
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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]
City **CENTER CITY** State **MN** Zip Code [REDACTED]

Daytime Telephone Number

Evening Telephone Number

E-mail Address

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, please print the name and address of the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner [REDACTED] Date **11-7-2005**

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side **1FDEE14R1** Make **FORD** Model **ECONOLINE** Model Year **1998**

Date Purchased **01-NOV-87** Dealer's Name and Telephone Number [REDACTED] Engine: **No. Cylinders 8** Fuel Type: **Gas**
Original Owner ☒ Dealer's City [REDACTED] State [REDACTED] Zip Code [REDACTED]

Transmission Type **AUTOMATIC** ☒ Antilock Brakes ☒ Cruise Control **Powertrain REAR WHEEL DRIVE** Vehicle Component Code **185000 VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL: CRUISE CONTROL**
Multiple Failures: **1**

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) **05-OCT-2006** Failure Mileage **98000** Failure Speed **115** *As 15 amp breaker was replaced which made the cruise control operational. Apparently the vehicle was not under 5 hrs later it caught on fire - destruction was complete though no fatalities*

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: DOTM198BC856) ☐ 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, failure(s), crash(es), and injury(ies).)

Crash ☐ Yes ☒ No Fire ☒ Yes ☐ No Number of Persons Injured **NONE** Number of Deaths **0** Reported to Police **Y** *I've been unable to obtain a fire report*

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: THE CONTACT STATED CRUISE CONTROL STOPPED WORKING. THE DEALER REPLACED A 15 AMP CIRCUIT BREAKER. AFTER THE VEHICLE WAS PARKED FOR APPROXIMATELY FIVE HOURS IT CAUGHT ON FIRE. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WAS CALLED. THE INSURANCE INVESTIGATOR COULD NOT DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF THE FIRE. *AK

The symptom of a fire starting 5 hours after the engine is turned off is the same thing that has been happening with the Ford F150 Trucks. For which a recall notice has been put out. The problem is caused by a short circuit in the cruise control disengagement switch - I believe the same thing happened to my van.

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 responses 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.

* Ford has not included the Econoline vans in their recall.