



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
(1-888-327-4235)
INTERNET: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City STRAFFORD

State MO

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 authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date 1/1

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side
3B7HF1

Make
DODGE

Model
RAM 1500

Model Year
2001

Date Purchased
10-DEC-05

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number
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Engine:
No: Cylinders 8

Fuel Type:
Gas

Original Owner
☐

Dealer's City
SPRINGFIELD

State
MO

Zip Code

Transmission Type
AUTOMATIC

☒ Antilock Brakes
☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain
4 WHEEL DRIVE

Vehicle Component Code
073000 FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE:FUEL INJECTION SYSTEM

Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)
09-FEB-2006

Failure Mileage
53000

Failure Speed
35

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: DOTM1SABC036)

☐ 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

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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 WHILE DRIVING 35 MPH, THERE WAS AN ODOR OF GAS. THE VEHICLE WAS PULLED OVER AND THERE WAS VAPOR COMING FROM THE HOOD. THE CONTACT LIFTED THE HOOD AND FOUND GAS ON THE ENGINE. AN INDEPENDENT REPAIR SHOP DETERMINED THE PLASTIC TUBE THAT CONNECTS THE FUEL INJECTION RAIL RUPTURED.

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 responses, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

The description on the Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire form isn't an accurate description. The Applicable Incident Information block says there was gas on the engine when I raised the hood.

The contact stated while driving 35mph, there was an odor of gas. The vehicle was pulled over and there was vapor coming from under the hood from all around the hood and from the radiator opening. The vapor was vaporized gasoline. When the contact raised the hood, the top of the engine and the bottom of the hood was covered with gasoline. About two gallons of gasoline had been pumped onto the engine by a rupture in the 60psi hose that feeds gasoline into the fuel injection system. This gasoline was vaporizing from the heat of the engine. It could have easily been ignited into a major explosion by a spark or gasoline getting on an exhaust manifold. One gallon of vaporized gasoline has the explosive power of several sticks of dynamite.

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