



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: NORTHRIDGE State: CA 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, provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.  
Signature of Owner: [REDACTED] Date: 4/16/06

**VEHICLE INFORMATION**

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side: 1G4CW53L3 [REDACTED]  
Make: BUICK Model: PARK AVENUE Model Year: 1993  
Date Purchased: 08-OCT-05 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number: [REDACTED] Engine: No: Cylinders: 6 Fuel Type: Gas  
Original Owner: [REDACTED] Dealer's City: [REDACTED] State: [REDACTED] Zip Code: [REDACTED]  
Transmission Type: AUTOMATIC  Antilock Brakes  Cruise Control  
Powertrain: FRONT WHEEL DRIVE  
Vehicle Component Code: 012000 STEERING: COLUMN  
Multiple Failure: 1

**FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION**

Incident Date(s): 06-APR-2006 Failure Mileage: 76000 Failure Speed: 0

**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: DOTM19ABC036): [REDACTED]  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(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).

DT\*: THE CONTACT STATED THERE WAS SMOKE COMING OUT OF THE STEERING COLUMN AND THE IGNITION WITH A SMELL OF ELECTRICAL BURNING. THIS OCCURRED SEVERAL SECONDS AFTER THE VEHICLE WAS STARTED.

Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY.

The Privacy Act of 1974 - Public Law 93-502 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)**

We pulled off interstate after 2 hrs of driving at the top of off ramp a 18 wheeler was coming but we had plenty of time to pull out and not get in its way. my wife mashed the gas we pulled out approx 10 feet then just stopped. i had time to ask her what she was doing and she screamed i got my foot to the floor and it wont go. I looked back and the truck was sliding it tries to hit us and all of a sudden  
① our car took off REAR FIRST all at once and we all went hit a on coming car. this has happened in similar circumstances 2 more times. all 3 times was after long high speed runs and it happened on the very 1st time we tried to re accelerate after stopping

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