



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)
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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]
City LAFAYETTE State TN Zip Code [REDACTED]

Daytime Telephone Number [REDACTED]

E-mail Address [REDACTED]

Evening Telephone Number [REDACTED]

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, NHTSA will NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner [REDACTED] Date 05/10/2006

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side
1GTD119X4K [REDACTED] Make GMC Model SONOMA Model Year 1999
Date Purchased 01-MAY-99 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number CUNNINGHAM MOTORS, INC., Engine: No: Cylinders 6 Fuel Type: Gas
Original Owner Dealer's City LEBANON State TN Zip Code 37087
Transmission Type AUTOMATIC Antilock Brakes Cruise Control Powertrain 4 WHEEL DRIVE Vehicle Component Code 162510 STRUCTURE:BODY:TAILGATE:HINGE AND ATTACHMENTS
Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 25-APR-2006 Failure Mileage 48000 Failure Speed
TAILGATE CABLE BROKE IN THE LATER PART OF THE YEAR 2005 UNDER NORMAL USE.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make [REDACTED] Tire Model (Name or Number) [REDACTED] Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)
DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036) Original Equipment Prior Repair Failure Location:
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 THE STEEL TAILGATE SUPPORT CABLES FRACTURED UPON OPENING THE TAILGATE WITHOUT WARNING. ALTHOUGH THE PROBLEM PERSISTED, THE VEHICLE WAS NOT SEEN BY A DEALER. THERE IS A NHTSA RECALL, # 04V129000, REGARDING THE TAILGATE HINGE AND ATTACHMENTS. THE VIN WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE RECALL.

SOME FULL SIZE 1999 GMC PICKUPS ARE BEING FIXED UNDER NHTSA RECALL, THIS VEHICLE HAS THE SAME PROBLEM BUT ISN'T INCLUDED WHY IS THIS?

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.