



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 KOKOMO State IN Zip Code 46902

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 authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner [REDACTED] Date 5.13.06

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side: 1GNFK169 [REDACTED]
Make CHEVROLET Model SUBURBAN 1500 Model Year 2006
Date Purchased 15-MAR-06 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number ERIK CHEVROLET 765-457-8333 Engine: No: Cylinders 8 Fuel Type: Gas
Original Owner Dealer's City KOKOMO State IN Zip Code 46902
Antilock Brakes Powertrain 4 WHEEL DRIVE
Cruise Control Vehicle Component Code 151300 SEAT BELTS:FRONT:RETRACTOR
Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 23-MAY-2006 Failure Mileage 0400 Failure Speed [REDACTED]

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: DOTM15ABC036): [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(es).)

Crash Yes No Fire Yes No
Number of Persons Injured 1 Number of Deaths 0 Reported to Police N

Narrative Description of Incident(s), Crash(es), and Injury(es).
Please describe (1) events leading up to the failure, (2) failure and its consequences, and (3) what was done to correct the failure; (4) parts repaired or replaced (and if old part is available).

DTM: THE CONTACT STATED WHILE THE VEHICLE WAS PARKED; A CHILD IN THE REAR SEAT, OUTSIDE OF A CHILD SAFETY SEAT BECAME ENTANGLED IN THE REAR PASSENGER SEAT BELT. THE SEAT BELT LOCKED AND ALL ATTEMPTS TO FREE THE CHILD ONLY MADE THE BELT TIGHTER. ASSISTANCE WAS OBTAINED FROM AN OUTSIDE SOURCE THAT PROVIDED SCISSORS TO CUT THE BELT AND FREE THE CHILD. THE CHILD OBTAINED BRUISES TO THE NECK. THE CONTACT'S PRIMARY CONCERN IS THERE WAS NO SAFETY RELEASE TO FREE THE BELT.

The above statement is exactly what happened. After talking to Erik Chevrolet they stated the seat belt system was designed that way to secure child safety seats. My contention is that there should be a safety release to eliminate a serious situation. I contacted GM (Cathy @ 866 790 5700 ext 20690) about the situation and explained my concern for any child that may end up in the same situation. A release button has to be added!!

Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoices. 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 a administrative enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

We took the child to the doctor to check the bruises on her neck. The doctor stated that they will warn other patients of the danger associated with the seat belts.