



U.S. Department
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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 JAMESBURG Monroe State NJ 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 authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner _____ Date ____/____/____

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side: 1G6DP577X60 [REDACTED]
Make CADILLAC Model CTS Model Year 2006
Date Purchased 17-APR-06 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number MCGUIRE CADILLAC Engine: No: Cylinders 6 Fuel Type: Gas
Original Owner [X] Dealer's City WOODBRIDGE State NJ Zip Code 07095
Transmission Type AUTOMATIC Antilock Brakes Cruise Control Powertrain FRONT WHEEL DRIVE Vehicle Component Code 022000 SUSPENSION:REAR Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 05-DEC-2006 Failure Mileage 5900 Failure Speed 65 rear differential

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: DOTM19ABC036) 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 N

Narrative Description of Incident(s), Crasn(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 65 MPH UNDER NORMAL ROAD CONDITIONS, THE REAR TIRES LOCKED. THERE WERE NO WARNINGS PRIOR TO THE INCIDENT. THE VEHICLE WAS TAKEN TO THE SERVICE DEALER, WHO DETERMINED THAT THE REAR AXLE FRACTURED.

Rear pinion seals leaked causing rear axle to seize. No signs or warnings until incident occurred. Service dept. stated they have been experiencing this problem with other CTS models where the seals have been leaking, yet Cadillac has not issued any recalls.
See attached work order from Dealer.

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.

Narrative Description of Incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies)

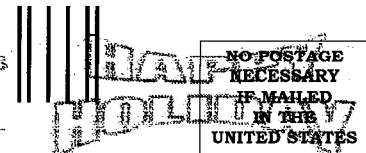
On 12/5/06, while traveling 60-65 mph on a highway, my vehicle's rear tires locked causing my car to skid out of control. Luckily, traffic was light otherwise, fatalities may have occurred. McGuire Dealer Service dept. claims that the rear axle seized because the rear pinion seals were bad and apparently had been leaking. My vehicle has been parked in the driveway (concrete driveway) and there is and has never been any signs of leaking. Service rep. also stated that they have been having this problem with MTs models where the seals have been leaking. Even so, no recall has ever been issued. Thankfully, I was not injured and no crash occurred. However, the next MTs owner may not be so lucky.

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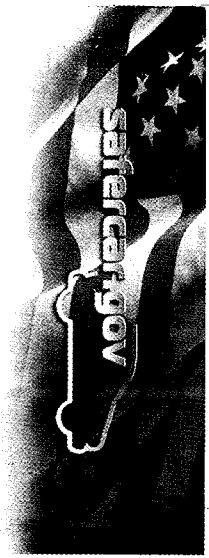


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Use the enclosed form to file a report.

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www.safecar.gov

or call:

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