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- Ref. (a) Re: Tire Valve Stems--7595  
(b) Robert Moyer Jr. Director (Costco)  
45940 Horseshoe Drive  
Sterling, Va. 20166  
703-406-6843  
(c) Cheryl Rose

U.S. Department of Transportation,

Your response to my recent E-mail Ref. (a) suggesting I write to obtain an official response from the U.S. Department of Transportation for the following information.

I have had three tire failures on the same vehicle (1997 Dodge 3500 Maxi Van) due to defective valve stems. The stem Manufacturers are EHA Schrader and FHA. They were installed by Costco Tire Centers in Newport News, Virginia. And at one of there Florida Tire Centers. Conversation with Mr. Robert Moyer Jr. (Ref. b) suggested I contact Cheryl Rose (Ref. c) for previous investigations of reported defective Valve Stems.

Do you have any on going investigations on any of these products? Or have you had any previous investigations of reported valve stem failures in the recent pass? Would you provide me with any NHTSA current or previous investigation findings?

Sincerely [REDACTED]



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