



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] Daytime Telephone Number [REDACTED] E-mail Address [REDACTED]  
Address [REDACTED] Evening Telephone Number [REDACTED]  
City CATOOSA State OK Zip Code [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 4/9/07

**VEHICLE INFORMATION**

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side 47CTTTG146E [REDACTED] Make DUTCHMEN Model T@B Model Year 2006  
Date Purchased 09-MAY-06 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number RELIABLE IMPORTS 411-864-6800 Engine: No: Cylinders Fuel Type:  
Original Owner  Dealer's City SPRINGFIELD State MO Zip Code 65802  
Transmission Type  Antilock Brakes Powertrain Vehicle Component Code 034400 SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC:FOUNDATION COMPONENTS  
 Cruise Control Multiple Failure: 1

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

Incident Date(s) 16-AUG-2006 Failure Mileage Failure Speed 50

**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 Failure Location:  
 Prior Repair  
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 Injury:  Yes  No  
Number of Persons Injured: Number of Deaths: 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).

TL\*THE CONTACT OWNS A 2006 DUTCHMAN T@B TRAILER. THE CONTACT STATED THAT THE BRAKE LININGS WERE COMPLETELY BURNED OUT. THE VEHICLE WAS INSPECTED, AND THE BRAKE DRUMS AND SHOES WERE COMPLETELY WORN OUT. THE CONTACT STATED THAT WHEN DRIVING APPROXIMATELY 50 MPH THE MECHANICAL SURGE BRAKE ASSEMBLY WOULD PUSH FAR ENOUGH UP TO ENGAGE THE BRAKE HANDLE. THIS CAUSED THE BRAKE HANDLE TO LOCK AND DISINTEGRATE THE BRAKE SHOES. THE CONTACT STATED THAT THE BRAKES WERE NOT ADEQUATE TO PROPERLY SLOW DOWN THE TRAILER. \*AK

*This incident happened the first time out. The second time there was a noticeable looseness in the brake handle as if there wasn't any contact!*

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.