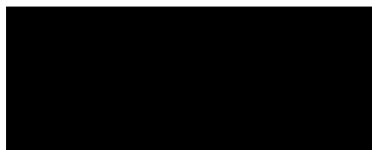




U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

March 3, 2008



Calgary, AB [REDACTED]

NVS-216 nlm
Ref. # 10219454

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated January 30, 2008, concerning a problem your client, [REDACTED], encountered with his model year (MY) 1997 Dodge Neon. Your correspondence was received by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation (ODI) on February 20, 2008.

NHTSA is the Federal agency responsible for improving safety on our Nation's highways. We are authorized to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain serious safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. However, we cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

We appreciate the report you provided. We regret to hear that your client was injured as a result of fire in his MY 1997 Dodge Neon. With regard to your request for a detailed report of investigation PE98-012, please be advised that ODI closed its investigation (PE98-012) of underhood fires in 1995-1996 Dodge Neon vehicles on June 23, 1998. A copy of the resume and closing report for this investigation are enclosed per your request. We hope this information is helpful to you. The information you provided on behalf of [REDACTED] has been entered

into our database. It will be considered with future reports to identify any safety defect trends that may require our attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald B. Fields". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ronald" being the most prominent.

Ronald B. Fields, Chief
Correspondence Research Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement

Enclosure:

Resume PE98-012