



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

Address

City

GENESEO

State

NY

Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Evening Telephone Number

SAME

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☐ YES ☒ NO
In the absence of an address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner Date 10/28/08

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side

3FAHP06Z37R

Make

FORD

Model

FUSION

Model Year

2007

Date Purchased

5/3/09

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

GENESEE VALLEY FORD 585-226-2600

Engine:

No: Cylinders

Fuel Type:

GAS

Original Owner

☒

Dealer's City

AVON

State

NY

Zip Code

14414

4

Transmission Type

☐ Antilock Brakes

Powertrain

Vehicle Component Code

190000 TIRES

MANUAL

☒ Cruise Control

2 WHEEL DRIVE

Multiple Failure:

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

09-SEP-2008

Failure Mileage

25000

Failure Speed

0

FLAT TIRE CAUSED BY CRACKED VALVE STEM

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

0

Number of Deaths

0

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 2007 FORD FUSION. THE CONTACT NOTICED THAT THE FRONT PASSENGER SIDE TIRE WAS FLAT. HE REPLACED THE TIRE WITH A SPARE AND DROVE THE VEHICLE TO A LOCAL REPAIR SHOP. THE MECHANIC STATED THAT THE VALVE STEM WAS DEFECTIVE AND MADE THE REPLACEMENT. APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS LATER, HE CHECKED THE TIRE PRESSURE OF THE REMAINING THREE TIRES AND FOUND IT TO BE LOW DUE TO CRACKED VALVE STEMS. THE VEHICLE WAS TAKEN TO THE DEALER AND THEY STATED THAT THE VALVE STEMS WERE NOT DEFECTIVE. THE MANUFACTURER WAS NOT NOTIFIED. THE VALVE STEM INFORMATION WAS UNAVAILABLE. THE CURRENT MILEAGE WAS 25,400 AND FAILURE MILEAGE WAS 25,000.

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 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.