



DOT Auto Safety Hotline

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Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire To Report Vehicle Safety Defects

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name, Address, City (WHITING), State (IN), Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number, Evening Telephone Number, E-mail Address

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 7/26/09

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number (1GCD C14Z 9LE), Make (CHEVROLET), Model (C1500), Model Year (1990), Date Purchased, Dealer's Name and Telephone Number (WILLIAM CHEVY 312-933-5300), Engine: No. of Cylinders (6), Fuel Type (GAS), Original Owner, Dealer's City (CHICAGO), State (IL), Zip Code (60617), Transmission Type (Auto), Antilock Brakes, Cruise Control, Powertrain, Multiple Failure, Incident Date(s) (16-JUN-2009)

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Vehicle Component Codes: 190000 TIRES, 350000 EQUIPMENT, Failure Mileage (206000), Failure Speed (0)

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 1990 CHEVROLET C1500. THE CONTACT STATED THAT THE CABLE UNDERNEATH THE VEHICLE THAT HOLDS THE SPARE TIRE WAS CORRODED. AS A RESULT, THE TIRE FELL FROM THE VEHICLE ONTO THE HIGHWAY AND ALMOST CAUSED A CRASH. THE MANUFACTURER STATED THAT THERE WERE NO RECALLS. THE VIN WAS UNKNOWN. THE FAILURE MILEAGE WAS 206,000.

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.

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

While driving spare tire under vehicle
FALLS OFF due to corrosion on cable
from winter driving conditions SALT on
Roadways, could cause other accidents
when drive with other cars!

Will happen to more trucks in Midwest
ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY. SALT AREAS

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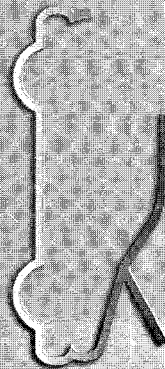
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