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DOT / NHTSA
Attn: George Gillespie
NVS 222, Rm. W43-466
1200 New Jersey SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Mr. Gillespie:

I spoke with you recently by phone on December 23 regarding the Uniroyal tires on my car.

Both dealers who sold them tires have told me the tires are mounted correctly, yet the tread pattern appears to be asymetrical. They have stated the tires are safe; that there are no problems with them; however, the middle tread bar has no sipes, even on the newer tires.

Enclosed are copies of the invoices and pictures of the tire treads marked left and right as they are mounted on the car.

Please respond on this matter to:

[redacted]
EDWARDSVILLE, IL [redacted]
PHONE [redacted] or [redacted]

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Form Approved: O.M.B. No. 2127-0008

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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Date Received: 2010 MAR -2 AM 7:54	Od_or ___ ___ rt_dt ___ ___ od_rt ___ ___ up_ltr ___ ___
	Reference No. 10318692

OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name [redacted]

Street No. [redacted] Apt. No.

City EDWARDSVILLE State IL Zip [redacted]

Daytime Telephone Number [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 ___/___/___

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Vehicle Identification No. (VIN.) (17 Digits) *(Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side)*: 6 M M A P 4 7 P 7 X T [redacted]

Make: MITSUBISHI | Model: DIAMANTE | Year: 1999

Purchased Date | Dealer's Name | Dealer's City | State | Zip Code

☐ New ☐ Used

Engine Size (CID/CC/L) ___ ☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☐ Fuel Injection
No. Cylinders ___

Manufacture Date (on driver's door or pilar)

Transmission Type: ☐ Manual ☐ Automatic

Restraint System: ☐ Driverside Air Bag ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Passengerside Air Bag ☐ 2-Point Belt ☐ 3-Point Belt

Cruise Control: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Drivetrain: ☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel

Vehicle Type: ☐ Car ☐ Sport Utility ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other ___

Body Style: ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other ___

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

	Part Name(s)	Location	Failed Part(s)	Handicap Adaptive Equip
		☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	☐ Original ☐ Replacement	☐ Yes ☐ No

TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Brand: UNIROYAL | Tire Name: UNI TP TOURING BLK | Complete Tire Size: 215/60R 16 95V

No. of Failures: 1

Date(s) of Failure(s): 9/4/09
Mileage at Failure(s): 102,590
Vehicle Speed at Failure(s): 60-65

Failed Part(s) Available? ☐ Yes ☑ No

NHTSA Previously Contacted? ☑ Yes ☐ No

APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the Incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies). Attach photos if available.)

Crash	Fire	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Reported to Manufacturer
☐ Yes ☑ No	☐ Yes ☑ No			☐ Yes ☐ No

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

SEE ATTACHED LETTER:

1) TREAD PATTERN APPEARS ASYMETRICAL YET TIRES ARE MOUNTED WITH TREAD PATTERN IN SAME DIRECTION ON BOTH SIDES OF THE AUTO

2) THERE ARE NO SIGNIFICANT SIPES ON THE MIDDLE TREAD BARS, EVEN ON THE NEWER TIRES

3) THE TIRES HAVE NO TREADWEAR, TEMPERATURE OR OTHER RATINGS ON THEM.

Continue on back.

CC: GEORGE GILLESPIE, NHTSA NVS-222

Mail postage free or fax to 202-366-7882

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