

Subject: FW: NHTSA: Follow up to ODI Complaint: 10415362
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Report Vehicle Safety Defects!



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From: Mattson, Ryan CTR (NHTSA) **On Behalf Of** DataQuality, DataQuality (NHTSA)
Sent: Thursday, August 11, 2011 9:31 AM

Subject: FW: NHTSA: Follow up to ODI Complaint: 10415362

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, August 11, 2011 9:26 AM
To: DataQuality, DataQuality (NHTSA)
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Being a Federal employee myself, I understand your staffing shortage. There are, however, many forums on the internet where others have been complaining of the same failure under varying conditions since the its introduction.

Thanks for your attention thus far,

[REDACTED]
Arizona VP
[REDACTED]

"If I am not for myself, who will be for me? And when I am for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?"
~ Hillel the Elder



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

27-JUL-2011

Repository ☐Reference No.
10415362

OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name [REDACTED]Address [REDACTED]

City GLENDALE

State AZ

Zip Code [REDACTED]

Daytime Telephone Number

[REDACTED]

E-mail Address

[REDACTED]

Evening Telephone Number

[REDACTED]

The information you provide will be used to identify potential safety-related defects. We may share your information with the applicable vehicle manufacturer during an investigation or recall in accordance with the routine uses described in the agency's Privacy Act notice. See 49 FR 53971 (Sep. 3, 2004).

VEHICLE INFORMATION

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

1D7HA18DX3[REDACTED]

Make

DODGE

Model

RAM 1500

Model Year

2003

Date Purchased

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

Engine:

No: Cylinders

8

Fuel Type:

Reg. Un

Original Owner

☐

Dealer's City

State

Zip Code

Transmission Type

Auto

☒ Antilock Brakes☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain

Hemi 2wh dr

Multiple Failure:

no

Incident Date(s)

24-JUL-2011

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Vehicle Component Codes: 060000 ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING, 180000 VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL

Failure Mileage

70000

Failure Speed

30

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: DOTM9ABC036)

☐ 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 2003 DODGE RAM 1500. THE CONTACT STATED WHILE DRIVING DOWN HILL AT APPROXIMATELY 30 TO 35 MPH, THE VEHICLE LOST POWER AND THE ENGINE THROTTLE LIGHT ILLUMINATED. THE CONTACT TURNED THE VEHICLE OFF FOR A MOMENT AND THE VEHICLE RETURNED TO NORMAL FUNCTION. THE VEHICLE WAS NOT TAKEN TO THE DEALER TO BE DIAGNOSED OR REPAIRED. THE FAILURE AND CURRENT MILEAGE WAS 70,000.

Driving wasn't just "downhill". I was coming down from 8,000' elevation. Mostly coasting, applying brakes and throttle occasionally as needed per road requirements. Upon reaching flatland, I applied throttle as normal. Within 10 min., engine began to lose power. Throttle was non-responsive, throttle control light came on. Remedied by restarting. No problem since.

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.