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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 [Redacted]
Address [Redacted]
City BOWLING GREEN State KY 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
1B7FL26X35W [Redacted] Make DODGE Model DAKOTA Model Year 1995
Date Purchased **2006** Dealer's Name and Telephone Number **Debbie Chandler - 502-778-1700** Engine: No: Cylinders **6** Fuel Type: **unleaded**
Original Owner Dealer's City **Louisville Ky 40211** State Zip Code
Transmission Type **Standard** Antilock Brakes Powertrain Multiple Failure: Incident Date(s) **15-JUN-2011**
 Cruise Control

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Vehicle Component Code: 150000 SEAT BELTS Failure Mileage Failure Speed

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 Failure Location:
 Prior Repair
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 1995 DODGE DAKOTA SPORT. THE CONTACT STATED THAT ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS, THE FRONT DRIVER AND PASSENGER SIDE SEAT BELTS FAILED TO RELEASE AFTER THE RELEASE BUTTON WAS DEPRESSED. THE RELEASE BUTTON ALSO DETACHED FROM ITS HOUSING. THE VEHICLE WAS NOT TAKEN TO THE REPAIRED, THE MANUFACTURER WAS MADE AWARE OF THE FAILURE. THE VIN AND FAILURE MILEAGE WAS UNKNOWN.

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)

ON 2 seperate occasions, my husband and 10 year old grandson was not able to get out of these seat belts. It took over an hour to get each one of them out. The reciever part of both passenger + driver side is broken to me this is safety issue. the driver can use the middle buckle, to buckle up but if theres a passenger they do not have a seat belt. very dangerous to do this, we have insurance on this vehicle, but if someone hits passenger side, ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY they could be killed.

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