

August 1, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

On July 24, 2012 I submitted ODI report # [REDACTED] In regards, I have received through estimates from my insurance company and mechanic.

The parts that seemed to have caused and were damaged in the incident were the power steering pump, power steering cooling fan, and the electrical harness all in the engine compartment of a 2005 Mini Cooper S.

I would like the information added to my complaint

If you are in need of any more information please contact me using the information below:

[REDACTED]  
Verdi, NV [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]  
Phone: [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

*Enclosed:*

- Correspondens say send corrections by mail
- Copy of complaint with ODI #

From: NHTSAHotline@telesishq.com <NHTSAHotline@telesishq.com>  
Subject: adding information to my safety complaint. ISSUE=465111 PROJ=12  
Date: July 24, 2012 1:43:00 PM PDT  
To: [REDACTED]  
Reply-To: NHTSAHotline@telesishq.com

When replying, type your text above this line.

**Notification of Case Change (All times are GMT-0400)**

**Workspace:** NHTSA Hotline Center  
**Case:** adding information to my safety complaint.  
**Case Number:**465111

**Date:** 07/24/2012 **Time:** 16:43:48  
**Creation Date:**07/24/2012 **Creation Time:**16:35:41

**Description:**

Entered on 07/24/2012 at 16:43:48 EDT (GMT-0400) by pmata:  
Thank you for contacting the U.S. Department of Transportation's Vehicle Safety Hotline Information Center.

You can make corrections or additions to your complaint by mailing your information to the Department of Transportation with a printed copy of your complaint.

A copy of your complaint can be printed from the NHTSA web site at [www.nhtsa.dot.gov](http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov) 24 hours after submission on the Vehicle Safety Hotline. The Office of Defect Investigation Number is required to search for your complaint.

Please mail the corrected information to:

U.S. Department of Transportation  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Office of Defects Investigation (NVS-210)  
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE  
West Building  
Washington, DC 20590

We hope that you find this information helpful. However, if you need additional information on our services please feel free to contact us at 1-888-327-4236.

Thank you,

NHTSA.dot.gov Response Team

Disclaimer: "This response is for information purposes only and does not constitute an official communication of the U.S. Department of Transportation. For an official response, please write U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE, West Building, Washington, DC 20590.

Entered on 07/24/2012 at 16:35:40 EDT (GMT-0400) by nhtsa.webmaster@dot.gov:

Sender Name: [REDACTED]

Sender Email: [REDACTED]

Subject: adding information to my safety complaint.

Comments: ODI #: 10466979 To whom it concerns: I received information about what parts caught on fire in regards to my car fire in my safety complaint. The items that had damage from the fire were the power steering pump, power steering cooling fan, and power steering wiring harness. All are on a 2005 Mini Cooper S. If you need anything in regards to paper work please contact me by email [REDACTED] or by phone [REDACTED]

Thank you [REDACTED]

**Contact Information:**

**Contact Source:**Owner

Complaints - Watermark

3 Record(s) Displayed.

Report Date : July 24, 2012 at 04:24 PM

ODI Numbers Searched : 10466979

**Make :** MINI                      **Model :** COOPER S                      **Year :** 2005  
**Manufacturer :** BMW OF NORTH AMERICA, LLC  
**Crash :** No                      **Fire :** Yes                      **Number of Injuries:** 0  
**ODI ID Number :** 10466979                      **Number of Deaths:** 0  
**Date of Failure:** July 21, 2012  
**VIN :** WMWRE33515 [REDACTED]  
**Component:** ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

**Summary:**  
 EARLIER IN THE DAY I TOOK THE CAR ON A DAY TRIP TO LAKE TAHOE DRIVING A COMBINATION OF INTERSTATE AND MOUNTAIN PASS ROAD. 3 HOURS LATER, MY WIFE HAD TAKEN THE CAR TO RUN AN ERRAND AND CAME HOME AND PARKED THE CAR IN THE GARAGE COMPLETELY OFF AND LOCKED. 10-15 MINUTES LATER WE HEAR THE CAR ALARM GOING OFF. WE OPENED THE DOOR TO THE GARAGE AND SAW WHITE SMOKE COMING FROM THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT. THERE WAS HIGH PITCHED WINING ALSO. WHEN I OPENED UP THE DOOR THE PUT IN NEUTRAL, THE LIGHTS ON THE INSTRUMENT PANELS WERE ALL ON WITH NO KEYS IN THE IGNITION. OPENED THE GARAGE AND MOVED THE THE CAR TO THE DRIVEWAY AND AWAY FROM THE HOUSE. CALLED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND I USED AN EXTINGUISHER UNDERNEATH WHERE ORANGE GLOW WAS VISIBLE. THE GLOW OF THE FLAMES WERE TOWARD THE BACK PART OF THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT AND LOW. SAW NO VISIBLE FLAMES IN THE MAIN COMPARTMENT WHEN THE HOOD WAS POPPED OPEN WHEN FIRE DEPARTMENT SHOWED UP THEY USED A GARDEN HOSE TO COOL ENGINE COMPARTMENT AND SUGGESTED TO DISCONNECT THE BATTERY WHICH I DID. I HAD THE CAR TOWED TO THE MINI DEALER IN RENO, NV.

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**Manufacturer :** BMW OF NORTH AMERICA, LLC  
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**VIN :** WMWRE33515T...  
**Component:** ENGINE

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NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS : 0

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VIN : WMWRE33515T...

Component: UNKNOWN OR OTHER

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