



U.S. Department
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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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10474190

OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City

COUNCIL BLUFF

State

IA

Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Evening Telephone Number

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

1GCBS14E4J2

Make

CHEVROLET

Model

S10 PICKUP

Model Year

1988

Date Purchased

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

Engine:

No: Cylinders

Fuel Type:

Original Owner

Dealer's City

State

Zip Code

Transmission Type

☐ Antilock Brakes

Powertrain

Multiple Failure:

Incident Date(s)

06-SEP-2012

☐ Cruise Control

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Vehicle Component Codes: 110000 ELECTRICAL SYSTEM, ENGINE (PWS)

Failure Mileage
83427

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
☐ 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

1

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 1988 CHEVROLET S10. THE CONTACT STATED THAT THE VEHICLE WAS PARKED WITH THE ENGINE IN OPERATION. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS PERFORMING AN UNKNOWN REPAIR WHEN ONE OF THE ENGINE COOLING FAN BLADES FRACTURED AND DISLODGED INTO THE AIR. THE BLADE THEN STRUCK THE OWNER SHARPLY IN THE NECK, IMMEDIATELY KILLING HIM. THE VEHICLE HAD NOT BEEN DIAGNOSED OR INSPECTED FOR THE FAILURE. THE MANUFACTURER WAS NOT NOTIFIED OF THE PROBLEM. THE APPROXIMATE FAILURE MILEAGE WAS 83,427.

THIS IS NOT MY VEHICLE.
POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE
REPORTING FATALITY. MANUFACTURER HAS BEEN
NOTIFIED.

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.

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

ON 06SEP2012, the POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE
IN IOWA INVESTIGATED THE DEATH OF [REDACTED]
the owner of the vehicle in this report. Our office reported
HIS DEATH to you as well as the manufacturer.

POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE

telephone 712-328-5837

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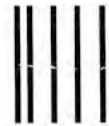
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has a safety defect?**



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