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 <p>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</p>		FOR AGENCY USE ONLY 100148	
		Date Received 21-NOV-2013	Repository <input type="checkbox"/> Reference No. 10553187
OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)			
Name		Daytime Telephone Number	
Address		E-mail Address	
City PITTSFIELD	State MA	Zip Code	
<p><i>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).</i></p>			
VEHICLE INFORMATION			
17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side 1FMYU94125K		Make FORD	Model ESCAPE
Model Year 2005		Engine: No: Cylinders 6	Fuel Type: Unneeded
Date Purchased 9/06	Dealer's Name and Telephone Number JOHNSON FORD 4134436431		
Original Owner <input type="checkbox"/>	Dealer's City Pittsfield MA	State MA	Zip Code 01201
Transmission Type Auto	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Antilock Brakes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cruise Control	Powertrain AWD	Multiple Failure: RUSTED OUT RIGHT WHEEL WELL
		Incident Date(s) 07-NOV-2013	
FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION			
Vehicle Component Code: 200000 WHEELS RUSTED OUT RIGHT WHEEL WELL - SHOCK FELL OFF NUMEROUS complaints Internet		Failure Mileage 100000	Failure Speed 45
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)	<input type="checkbox"/> Original Equipment <input type="checkbox"/> 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 <i>(Please describe in detail the incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and injury (ies).)</i>			
Crash <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Deaths 0
		Reported to Police N	
<p>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).</p>			
<p>TL* THE CONTACT OWNS A 2005 FORD ESCAPE. THE CONTACT WAS DRIVING 45 MPH AND HEARD A BANGING NOISE FROM THE VEHICLE. THE VEHICLE WAS TAKEN TO AN INDEPENDENT MECHANIC FOR INSPECTION WHERE THE CONTACT WAS ADVISED THAT THE SHOCK MOUNT ON THE PASSENGER'S REAR WHEEL WELD WAS RUSTED. THE VEHICLE WAS NOT REPAIRED. THE MANUFACTURER WAS NOTIFIED OF THE ISSUE. THE APPROXIMATE FAILURE MILEAGE WAS 100,000.</p>			
Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice.		ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY	
<p>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.</p>			

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Common occurrence according to internet that Right
(only right) Rear Wheelwell RUSTS completely AWAY

THIS ISN'T RIGHT AND FORD IS AWARE OF IT AS
my dealer noted

I hope you are aware that THIS COULD CAUSE
SERIOUS INJURY - THIS IS WHAT YOUR AGENCY IS ABOUT

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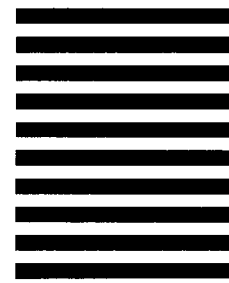
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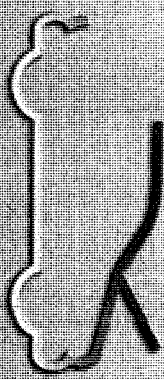
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If so:
Use the enclosed form to file a report.

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