



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration

INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) 5 U.S.C. § 552(B)(6)

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<br><br>24-MAR-2015       | Repository <input type="checkbox"/><br><br>Reference No.<br>10701592 |
| Daytime Telephone Number<br>[REDACTED] | E-mail Address                                                       |
| Evening Telephone Number<br>[REDACTED] |                                                                      |

**OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)**

|                       |             |                        |  |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------|--|
| Name<br>[REDACTED]    |             |                        |  |
| Address<br>[REDACTED] |             |                        |  |
| City<br>KATHLEEN      | State<br>FL | Zip Code<br>[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<br>4V4NC9EH9F [REDACTED] |                                                     | Make<br>VOLVO | Model<br>VNL             | Model Year<br>2015              |
| Date Purchased<br>11-APR-14                                                                                      | Dealer's Name and Telephone Number                  |               | Engine:<br>No: Cylinders | Fuel Type:<br>Diesel            |
| Original Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                            | Dealer's City                                       | State         | Zip Code                 |                                 |
| Transmission Type                                                                                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Antilock Brakes | Powertrain    | Multiple Failure:        | Incident Date(s)<br>17-APR-2014 |
|                                                                                                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cruise Control  |               |                          |                                 |

**FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION**

|                                                |                 |               |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Vehicle Component Code: 162000 STRUCTURE: BODY | 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) | <input type="checkbox"/> Original Equipment<br><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**

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and injury(ies).)

|                                                                              |                                                                             |                           |                  |                         |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Crash<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Fire<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Number of Persons Injured | Number of Deaths | Reported to Police<br>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).

FROM RECEIPT OF THIS VEHICLE, AND ESPECIALLY SINCE PLACED INTO SERVICE, WE HAVE COMPLAINED TO VOLVO ABOUT THE RIDE OF THE TRUCK. INITIALLY, THE CAB WOULD BOTTOM OUT AND IT SWAYED EXCESSIVELY FROM LEFT TO RIGHT. WE CONSULTED WITH VOLVO TECHS, WITH REGARDS TO WHAT THIS MIGHT BE, AND WERE TOLD THAT THEY HAD BEEN SEEING THIS IN NUMEROUS OTHER VOLVO 780s AND WERE UNSURE THE CAUSE OR THE CURE.

AS TIME PROGRESSED, THE PROBLEMS BECAME WORSE. IT BECAME HARD TO RIDE IN THE CAB, AS IT BEGAN TO BOTTOM OUT AT THE LEAST OF ROAD CONDITIONS. THIS WAS CAUSING THE OCCUPANTS SEVERE MIGRAINES AND MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE TO ENGAGE IN TEAM LOADS, AS THE TEAM DRIVER WAS BEING FORCED TO SLEEP ON CUSHIONS ON THE CAB FLOOR BETWEEN THE TWO FORWARD SEATS. NOT ONLY DID THIS PRODUCE AND ILLEGAL SITUATION, BUT THE DRIVER THAT WAS TRYING TO SLEEP, WAS NOT SECURED IN THE CAB WHILE IN TRANSIT. HOWEVER, THERE WAS NO OTHER OPTIONS, AS THE DRIVER SLEEPING IN THE BERTH WAS SUSTAINING PHYSICAL INJURY BY WAY OF THE TRAUMATIC CAB SLAPPING & OR BOTTOMING OUT.  
UPDATED 08/13/15 \*BF

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.