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 <p><b>DOT Auto Safety Hotline</b>  <b>Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire</b>  <b>To Report Vehicle Safety Defects</b>  <b>1-888-DASH-2-DOT</b>  <b>(1-888-327-4236)</b>  <b>INTERNET:www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline</b></p>		FOR AGENCY USE ONLY 100148	
U.S. Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration		Date Received 18-MAY-2015	Repository <input type="checkbox"/> Reference No. 10717149
<b>OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)</b>			
Name		Daytime Telephone Number	E-mail Address
Address		Evening Telephone Number	
City	State	Zip Code	
EAST STROUDSBURG	PA		
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).			
<b>VEHICLE INFORMATION</b>			
17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side		Make	Model
5TEHN72N54Z		TOYOTA	TACOMA
Model Year		Engine:	Fuel Type:
2004		No: Cylinders	Gasoline
Date Purchased	Dealer's Name and Telephone Number		
March 2004	Halterman's Toyota - 570-421-6930		
Original Owner	Dealer's City	State	Zip Code
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	East Stroudsburg	PA	18301
Transmission Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Antilock Brakes	Powertrain	Multiple Failure:
Automatic	<input type="checkbox"/> Cruise Control		Incident Date(s)
			01-SEP-2014
<b>FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION</b>			
Vehicle Component Codes: 162000 STRUCTURE: BODY, 105500 POWER TRAIN: DRIVELINE: DIFFERENTIAL UNIT		Failure Mileage	Failure Speed
		190000	
<b>ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE</b>			
Tire Make	Tire Model (Name or Number)		Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)
DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036)	<input type="checkbox"/> Original Equipment	Failure Location:	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Prior Repair		
Tire Component Code	Tire Failure Type:		
<b>ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE</b>			
Make:	Date Manufactured:	Model No./Name:	
Seat Type:	Installation System:		
Child Seat Component Code:	Failed Part:		
<b>APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION</b>			
<i>(Please describe in detail the incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and injury(ies).)</i>			
Crash	Fire	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Deaths
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	0	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 2004 TOYOTA TACOMA. THE CONTACT STATED THAT THE TRANSMISSION REAR DIFFERENTIAL WAS CORRODED AND LEAKING TRANSMISSION FLUID WHILE THE LOCAL MECHANIC PERFORMED ROUTINE MAINTENANCE. THE VEHICLE WAS NOT REPAIRED. THE MANUFACTURER WAS MADE AWARE OF THE FAILURE. THE FAILURE MILEAGE WAS 190,000.			
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.			

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

Toyota knew that the undercarriages of these tacomas were suspect because of corrosion, IN 2010 they recalled Tacomas because the Frames were rusting out and cracking! My Tacoma was at the Dealership on 7-21-10 for a frame inspection. They applied (?) a Corros Resist kit, (I have documentation), IN 2013, they recalled Tacomas because the spare tire carriers were rusting out and dropping the spare tires on the road! My tacoma had the spare tire carrier replaced on 6-16-13. My cast iron (I guess) differential shouldn't have rusted through like it has - They should pay to replace the entire Axle. /

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**If so:**

**Use the enclosed form to file a report.**

**or visit:**  
**www.safercar.gov**

**or call:**  
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