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U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]
City ROUND ROCK State TX Zip Code [REDACTED]

Daytime Telephone Number [REDACTED]
Evening Telephone Number [REDACTED]

E-mail Address [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
5TDZT38A01S [REDACTED]
Make TOYOTA Model SEQUOIA Model Year 2001
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 Cruise Control Powertrain Multiple Failure: Incident Date(s) 02-MAY-2015

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Vehicle Component Codes: 010000 STEERING, 180000 VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL, 250000 ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL
Failure Mileage 179000 Failure Speed 60

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: DOTMAL9ABC036) 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 <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
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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).

MY 2001 TOYOTA SEQUOIA VIOLENTLY EXPERIENCED A VSC TRAC ERROR WHEN DRIVING NEXT TO A SEMI ON THE FREEWAY. IT ALMOST PULLED MY CAR INTO THE SEMI, AND THEN OFF THE ROAD AS THE WHEEL JERKED, BRAKES AND ENGINE RESPONSE CUT SIGNIFICANTLY. THIS HIGHWAY ISSUE HAPPENED LAST MONTH, AND JUST THIS WEEK, THE PROBLEM HAS BECOME MORE FREQUENT, OCCURRING ON NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS WITH ABSOLUTELY NO TRIGGERS. THE STEERING WHEEL SOMETIME SHAKES, AND SOMETIME PULLS SUDDENLY. IT OCCURS SOMETIMES DURING A SLOW TURN, BUT IS ALSO HAPPENING JUST DRIVING AT 25 MILES AN HOUR DOWN A STRAIGHT ROAD.

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.



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Consumer:

NVS-216rr

As a follow-up to your report to the Vehicle Safety Hotline (VSH), we have recorded your information on the enclosed Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire (VOQ) form. Please review the form and make changes, additions and corrections as necessary. Additionally, please provide a more detailed description of the failures(s) you reported that you believe relevant to safety. Also, if available, include copies of repair invoices, letters to the manufacturer, or any other document related to the problem(s) you reported. If a crash or fire occurred, include a copy of the police or fire department report.

It is helpful to be as thorough as possible in your report so that our ability to use your report will be maximized. If you do not have the information, it is not necessary to complete all the boxes. However, it is very difficult to identify the scope of a vehicle problem unless the vehicle identification number (VIN) is known. The VIN is located inside the vehicle on the dashboard adjacent to the left (driver's side) of the windshield pillar and on the drivers' door or the driver's door jam. It may also be listed on a dealer repair invoice or your insurance or registration cards. When reporting a tire problem, the brand name, tire line and complete tire size should be included. Be certain to provide the DOT tire identification number. It is usually located near the rim flange of the tire on either side of the tire.

We do not make your personal information (name, address, phone numbers, etc.) available to the general public. However, if we open an investigation that involves your vehicle, we will provide the manufacturer of your vehicle with a complete copy of your report. The information you provide may assist the manufacturer and NHTSA in determining if a safety-related defect exists.

Any information provided is entirely voluntary. There is no consequence or penalty of any kind if you do not wish to provide it. We seek this information to develop both statistical and investigative evidence that will help identify potential safety related problems in vehicles or vehicle equipment, e.g., tires, child safety seats, jacks, etc.

When completed, please fold and staple or tape the form so that the pre-addressed portion of the form is on the outside. If a larger envelope is used, tape the VOQ form to the larger envelope so that the pre-addressed portion of the form is showing.

If further assistance is needed, please contact the VSH at their toll-free number, 1-888-327-4236.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Randy Reid Chief
Correspondence Research Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement

Enclosure: VOQ



Fogle, Brenda CTR (NHTSA)

From: Abbew, Margaret CTR (NHTSA)
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 1:59 PM
To: Fogle, Brenda CTR (NHTSA)
Subject: FW: FW: NHTSA: Follow up to ODI Complaint: ----10731062-----
Attachments: EVOQ EMAIL RESPONSE.doc; 10731062.pdf; _Certification_.htm

From: Williams, Maritza CTR (NHTSA) **On Behalf Of** DataQuality, DataQuality (NHTSA)
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 11:11 AM
To: Wells, Cynthia CTR (NHTSA)
Subject: FW: FW: NHTSA: Follow up to ODI Complaint: ----10731062-----

And another questionnaire.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 10:08 PM
To: DataQuality, DataQuality (NHTSA)
Subject: FW: FW: NHTSA: Follow up to ODI Complaint: ----10731062-----

No edits. Please see attached submission about dangerous VSC trac failure on my Toyota Sequoia.

From: shakita.shaw.ctr@dot.gov [<mailto:shakita.shaw.ctr@dot.gov>] **On Behalf Of** EVOQ@dot.gov
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 12:32 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: FW: NHTSA: Follow up to ODI Complaint: ----10731062-----

Please see the attached copy of your recent complaint and instructions. Please make any necessary edits and return via email to dataquality@dot.gov or fax to [\(202\) 366-1767](tel:(202)366-1767). Due to the volume of complaints we receive and our limited resources, we cannot respond to every complaint.

NHTSA/Office of Defects Investigation



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