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From: [DataQuality, DataQuality \(NHTSA\)](#)
To: [EVOQ \(NHTSA\)](#)
Subject: FW: Follow up to ODI Complaint --11501618
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023 2:52:38 PM
Attachments: [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 2:13 PM
To: DataQuality, DataQuality (NHTSA) <DataQuality@dot.gov>
Subject: FW: Follow up to ODI Complaint --11501618

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Hello, I've attached a full resolution photograph of the concerning tires. The tread depth is at about 5/32". This vehicle is rarely, if ever, driven on gravel roads, as the retailer suggested was the cause of the chunking. It seems to me that there is a manufacturing issue that needs to be addressed...my purpose of reporting. Thanks, [REDACTED]

From: EVOQ (NHTSA) [<mailto:EVOQ@dot.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 9:24 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Follow up to ODI Complaint --11501618

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. 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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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

13-JAN-2023

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Reference No.
11501618

OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name			
Address			
City	Broomfield	State	CO
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		MAKE HONDA	Model ODYSSEY	Model Year 2002
Date Purchased	Dealer's Name and Telephone Number		Engine: No: Cylinders	Fuel Type:
Original Owner ☐	Dealer's City Fort Pierce	STATE FL	ZIP Code 34982	
Transmission Type ☐ Antilock Brakes ☐ Cruise Control	Powertrain	Mult ple Fa lure	Incident Date(s) 13-JAN-2023	

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Vehicle Components Codes: 190000 TIRES	Failure Mileage 249000.0	Failure Speed
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ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make MICHELIN	Tire Model (Name or Number) MICHELIN	Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)
DOT No. (Example: DOTMAL 9ABC036) AP3V047X	☐ Original Requirement ☐ Prior Repair	Failure Location:
Tire Component Code 190000 TIRES	Tire Failure Type: CRACK	

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), Injury(ies).)

Crash ☐ Yes ☒ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☒ No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Deaths	Reported to Police N
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Narrative Description of Incident(s), Crash(es), 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).

The contact owns a 2002 Honda Odyssey equipped with Michelin Tires, Tire Line: Defender XT, Tire Size: 225/60R16, DOT Number: AP3V047X. The contact stated while replacing the driver's and passenger's side front tires, the contact noticed chunks of tread detaching from the tires. The tire retailer was made aware of the failure and informed the contact that the failure was caused by driving on gravel roads. The tires were replaced. The manufacturer was made aware of the failure and referred the contact to the tire retailer. The tire failure mileage was 59,000. The vehicle failure mileage was approximately 249,000.

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.



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Consumer:

NEF-160

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

