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DOT Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

TO REPORT VEHICLE SAFETY DEFECT

1-888-DASH-2-DOT

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U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Reference No.

OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

550810

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? YES NO
In the absence of an authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date 1/30/00

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) (Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side) 1FAFP4040WF107528
Vehicle Make Ford
Vehicle Model Mustang
Vehicle Year 1998
Current Odometer Reading 041000

Purchased Date 10/7/97
Dealer's Name Fred Beans
Dealer's City Doylestown
State PA
Zip Code 18901
Engine Size (CID/GAL) 3.8L
No. Cylinders 6
 Turbo
 Diesel
 Gas
 Fuel Injection

Transmission Type Manual Automatic
Antilock Brakes Yes No
Restraint System Driverside Airbag Motorbell
 Passengerside Airbag 2-Point Belt
 3-Point Belt
Cruise Control Yes No
Drivetrain Front Rear 4-Wheel
Vehicle Type Car Sport Lmt.
 Van Truck
 Minivan Motorcycle
 Other
Body Style 2-Door
 4-Door
 Stationwagon
 Pick Up Truck
 Other

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component
Part Name(s) emergency brake
Location Left Right Front Rear
Failed Part(s) Original Replacement
No. of Failures (see reverse)
Date(s) of Failure(s) 1/7/99
Mileage at Failure(s) 23,000
Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 0 MPH
Failed Part(s) Available? Yes No
NHTSA Previously Contacted? Yes No

APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies) on the back of this form)

Crash Yes No
Fire Yes No
Number Persons Injured
Number of Fatalities
Estimated Property Damage \$
Reported to Police Yes No

INFORMATION ON TIRE FAILURE(S) (IF APPLICABLE)

To report defective or failed tires provide the following: DOT Number, Tire Manufacturer, Tire Name, Tire Size (include all numbers and letters).
Note: This information not required for normal operation tires.

DOT
Manufacturer
Tire Name
Complete Tire Size

Diagram of a tire with labels: TIRE SIZE, TIRE NAME, TIRE MANUFACTURER. Text: U.S. DOT safety standard code. The number may be on the inner side of the tire and have up to 11 letters and numbers. Usually located near rim flange on side opposite whitewall or on either side of blackwall tire.

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 administration enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

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

Car was parked facing uphill on a driveway with a slight grade. Transmission was left in neutral and parking brake was set. Within a few minutes after leaving the vehicle, the parking brake failed to hold the vehicle stationary and it rolled downhill, ~~striking a tree~~ coming to rest after jumping a curb and side swiping a tree. There was no resulting property damage and no injuries resulted.

Prior to this incident, I experienced inconsistencies in the resistance and length of pull necessary to set the parking brake on several occasions. These seemed to be able to be corrected by releasing and resetting the brake.

On one other occasion, the car drifted downhill about 15 feet under the same circumstances noted above, except that the car was still running at the time, and the brake seemed to have some resistance to prevent the car from continuing downhill.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

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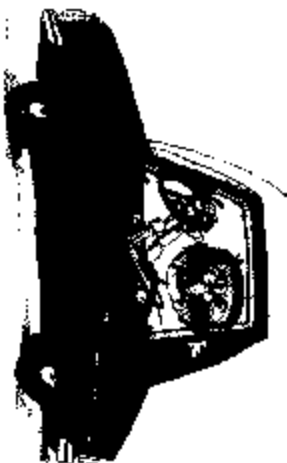
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