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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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Date Received: FEB 16 1999  
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 OFFICE OF DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

Reference No. **550976**

**OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle?  YES  NO  
 In the absence of an authorized address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: **FEB 09 2000**

**PRODUCT INFORMATION**

Vehicle Identification No. (VIN) (17 Digits): **1G1ND52M5W6171879** (Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side)

Make: **CHEVROLET** Model: **MALIBU** Year: **1998**

Purchased Date: **12/27/97** Dealer's Name: **SPITZER CHEVROLET** Engine Size (CID/CGL): **3.1**  
 Turbo  Diesel  
 Gas  Fuel Injection

New  Used Dealer's City: **NORTHFIELD** State: **OH** Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. Cylinders: **6**

Manufacture Date (on driver's door or pillar): \_\_\_\_\_ Transmission Type:  Manual  Automatic  
 Restraint System:  Driverside Air Bag  Motorbelt  Passengerside Air Bag  2-Point Belt  3-Point Belt  
 Cruise Control:  Yes  No Drivetrain:  Front  Rear  4-Wheel  
 Vehicle Type:  Car  Sport Utility  Van  Truck  Minivan  Motorcycle  Other  
 Body Style:  2-Door  4-Door  Stationwagon  Pick Up Truck  Other

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

Part Name(s): **BRAKE STOP LIGHTS** Location:  Left  Right  Front  Rear  
 Failed Part(s):  Original  Replacement Handicap Adaptive Equip:  Yes  No

**TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE**

Tire Brand: \_\_\_\_\_ Tire Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Complete Tire Size: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Failures: \_\_\_\_\_ Date(s) of Failure(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Mileage at Failure(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Speed at Failure(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 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). Attach photos if available.)

Crash:  Yes  No Fire:  Yes  No Number of Persons Injured: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Fatalities: \_\_\_\_\_ Reported to Manufacturer:  Yes  No

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

**HAVE ALREADY REPLACED (3) THREE SETS OF  
 BRAKE STOP LIGHTS - PLASTIC ASSEMBLY  
 IS MELTING ON BULB TYPE #3057**

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The Privacy Act of 1974 - Public Law 93-579 This information is requested pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301. You are under no obligation to respond to this questionnaire. Your response may be used to assist NHTSA in determining whether a manufacturer should take appropriate action to correct a safety defect. If 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.