



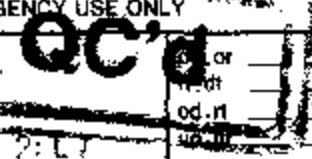
U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE VEHICLE OWNER'S QUESTIONNAIRE

NATIONWIDE 1-800-424-9393
DC METRO AREA 202-368-0123

FOR AGENCY USE ONLY

DATE RECEIVED: FEB 28 1996
OFFICE DEFECTS INVESTIGATION



REFERENCE NO.

559954

DAY TIME TELEPHONE NO. (AREA CODE)

OWNER INFORMATION (TYPE OR PRINT)

NAME and ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

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

SIGNATURE OF OWNER: [REDACTED] DATE: 8/16/96

VEHICLE INFORMATION

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO.: [REDACTED]
VEHICLE MAKE: GMC
VEHICLE MODEL: 515 SONOMA PICKUP
MODEL YEAR: 1991

CURRENT ODOMETER READING: APPROX 113000
DATE PURCHASED: 3/91
DEALER'S NAME, CITY & STATE: DABAGIA-OLDS-BUICK-GMC MICHIGAN CITY, IN 46360
ENGINE SIZE: V-6 4.3L
NO. CYLINDERS: 6
TURBO DIESEL GAS FUEL INJECTN:

TRANSMISSION TYPE: MANUAL AUTOMATIC
ANTILOCK BRAKES: YES NO
RESTRAINT SYSTEM: DRIVERSIDE AIRBAG MOTORBELT PASSENGERSIDE AIRBAG 3-POINT BELT 2-POINT BELT
CRUISE CONTROL: YES NO
DRIVETRAIN: FRONT REAR 4-WHEEL
BODY STYLE: STAWAG 4 DR 2 DR, HATCH BK, VAN, PK UP TRK, OTHER

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION (REPORT TIRE INFORMATION ON BACK)

COMPONENT: ALTERNATOR
PART NAME(S):
LOCATION: LEFT FRONT RIGHT REAR
FAILED PART(S): ORIGINAL REPLACEMENT
NO. OF FAILURES: 1
DATE(S) OF FAILURE(S): 7/27/94
MILEAGE AT FAILURE(S): 113000 APPROX
VEHICLE SPEED AT FAILURE(S): 60-70 MPH
MANUFACTURER CONTACTED: YES NO
NHTSA PREVIOUSLY CONTACTED: YES NO

APPLICABLE ACCIDENT INFORMATION

ACCIDENT: YES NO
FIRE: YES NO
NUMBER PERSONS INJURED: 0
NUMBER OF FATALITIES: 0
PROPERTY DAMAGE ESTS: 7000
POLICE REPORTED: YES NO

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), ACCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

Driving W on I 80/94 in dept lane. Heard whine from engine, turned off Air Radio. Truck died, Battery light came on. Amp = 0 (gauge went to 0). Got to right shoulder, opened road. Alternator was on fire, shortly thereafter a truck drove stopped & put out fire with extinguisher. Fire had spread to whole engine compartment. Truck was totaled.

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.