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US Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE
VEHICLE OWNER'S QUESTIONNAIRE

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OWNER INFORMATION (TYPE OR PRINT)

NAME and ADDRESS

HUDSONVILLE, MICHIGAN

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DAY TIME TELEPHONE NO. (AREA CODE)

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

VEHICLE INFORMATION

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO.

1A92E5326 VM 277645

VEHICLE MAKE

CHAPARRAL

VEHICLE MODEL

FLATBED

MODEL YEAR

1997

*LOCATED AT BOTTOM OF WINDSHIELD ON DRIVER'S SIDE

CURRENT ODOMETER READING

XXXXXXXXXX

DATE PURCHASED

11/24/99

DEALER'S NAME, CITY & STATE

WEST VALLEY TRUCK CENTER

ENGINE SIZE (CID/CC/L)

NO. CYLINDERS

TURBO
 DIESEL
 GAS
 FUEL INJECTN

TRANSMISSION TYPE

N.A. MANUAL
 AUTOMATIC

ANTILOCK BRAKES

N.A. YES
 NO

RESTRAINT SYSTEM

N.A.
 DRIVERSIDE AIRBAG MOTORBELT
 PASSENGERSIDE AIRBAG
 3-POINT BELT 2-POINT BELT

CRUISE CONTROL

YES
 N.A.
 NO

DRIVETRAIN

FRONT
 REAR
 4-WHEEL

BODY STYLE

N.A.
STAWAG _____ HATCH BK _____
4 DR _____ VAN _____
2 DR _____ PK UP TRK _____
OTHER _____

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

COMPONENT

FRAME AND CROSS MEMBER

PART NAME(S)

FRAME/cross member

LOCATION

LEFT FRONT
 RIGHT REAR

FAILED PART(S)

ORIGINAL
 REPLACEMENT

NO. OF FAILURES

frame cracks both sides

DATE(S) OF FAILURE(S)

2000

MILEAGE AT FAILURE(S)

VEHICLE SPEED AT FAILURE(S)

MANUFACTURER CONTACTED

YES NO

NHTSA PREVIOUSLY CONTACTED

YES NO

APPLICABLE ACCIDENT INFORMATION

ACCIDENT

YES NO

FIRE

YES NO

NUMBER PERSONS INJURED

NA

NUMBER OF FATALITIES

NA

PROPERTY DAMAGE ESTS

NA

POLICE REPORTED

YES NO

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

THE TRAILER IS A ALUMINUM UNIT. THE UNIT HAS A STEEL CROSS MEMBER. THE TRAILER IS 53 FOOT LONG. THE UNIT HAS A PIN TO CENTER OF REAR AXLE SPREAD OF 45 FEET. THE ENGINEERING ON THIS UNIT IS ILLEGAL AS THE FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER CALLS FOR 40.6 FEET FROM PIN TO CENTER OF REAR AXLE. WHEN TRAILER IS LOADED IT BELLYS DOWN AND THE FRONT AXLE DIGS INTO THE SURFACE. THIS IN TURN RIPS THE MAIN FRAME AND THE WHOLE AXLE COMES OUT FROM UNDER THE TRAILER. THE UNITS ARE ILLEGAL AND CANNOT BE PULLED LEGALLY IN ANY STATE IN THE UNION. WE PETITION YOU TO DO A INVESTIGATION ON THIS. WE KNOW 18 WERE BUILT. CONTINUE ON BACK IF NEEDED

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.