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VEHICLE OWNER'S QUESTIONNAIRE
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OWNER INFORMATION

NAME
ADDRESS
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TELEPHONE

NHTSA authorized to send a copy of this report to the manufacturer: Yes

VEHICLE INFORMATION

VIN: SAJTY5843KC163416
MAKE: JAGUAR
MODEL: XJS
YEAR: 1989

ODOMETER: 48077
PURCHASE DATE: NEW OR USED: Used

DEALER NAME: PVT PARTY - (PURCH NEW @ PERFORMANCE JAGUAR)
ADDRESS: SAN DIEGO, CA

ENGINE SIZE: 5L
CYLINDERS: 12

FUEL INJECTION: Yes
TURBO: No
FUEL TYPE: Gas
ANTILOCK BRAKES: Yes
CRUISE CONTROL: Yes
DRIVETRAIN: Rear

DRIVER AIRBAG: No
PASSENGER AIRBAG: No
3-POINT BELT: No
MOTOR BELT: Yes
2-POINT BELT: Yes
BODY STYLE: 2-Door

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

COMPONENT: LEFT CYL. BANK IGNITION
CATALYTIC CONVERTERS ON LEFT SIDE

PART NAME(S): POSSIBLY COIL, CAT CONV'S

LOCATION: Left

NUMBER OF FAILURES: ONCE (SO FAR)

DATE(S) OF FAILURES: FEB 20, 1999

MILEAGE AT FAILURE(S): 46830

SPEED AT FAILURE(S): 10 - 20 MPH, CITY TRAFFIC, 15 MIN RUN TIME.

MANUFACTURER CONTACTED: No

NHTSA CONTACTED: No

APPLICABLE ACCIDENT INFORMATION

ACCIDENT:
FIRE:

NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED:
NUMBER OF FATALITIES:
ESTIMATED PROPERTY DAMAGE: \$

DRIVER AIRBAG DEPLOYED:
PASSENGER AIRBAG DEPLOYED:

REPORTED TO POLICE:

INFORMATION ON TIRE FAILURE(S) (IF APPLICABLE)

DOT NUMBER: DOT
TIRE MANUFACTURER:
TIRE NAME:
TIRE SIZE:

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

XJS w/Marelli ign. syst., dual coils. Sudden loss of secondary voltage to all left bank cylinders. Loss of power, needed to go 1/2 mi. to safe pullover. Smoke from under car, shut off ignition, looked under car. Cat. converters on left side glowing yellow-red, smoke from area around cat's. Insulation on nearby wire charred, as was adjacent 'undercoating'. Car ran normally after 15-20 min. cooldown. Catalyst was melted to slag in both converters. Replaced both converters, rewired, and installed new coil (1) and rotor as precaution. I was told that when the ignition cut out on the left side, the fuel injectors continued to dump fuel, which went into the preheated converters and burned, causing the high heat. Problem hasn't repeated (yet).

END OF FORM



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) 366-0123
INTERNET: <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

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

Signature of Owner _____ Date ____/____/____

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) (Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
SAJTY5843KC163416	JAGUAR	XJS	1989	

Purchase Date ☐ New ☐ Used	Dealer's Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L 12 CYL No Cylinders _____	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☒ Fuel Injection
Transmission Type ☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	Antilock Brakes ☒ Yes ☐ No	Restraint System ☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ Passengerside Airbag ☒ Motorbelt ☐ 2-Point Belt	Cruise Control ☒ Yes ☐ No
Drive Train ☐ Front ☒ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Van ☐ Minivan ☐ Other _____ ☐ Sport Util ☐ Truck ☐ Motorcycle	Body Style ☒ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other _____	

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 06200000	Part Name(s) FUEL:FUEL INJECTION SYSTEM	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No. of Failures 1	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

APPLICATION 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 of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☐ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

WHEN THE IGNITION CUTS OUT ON THE LEFT SIDE, THE FUEL INJECTORS CONTINUED TO DUMP FUEL, WHICH WENT INTO THE PREHEATED CONVERTER AND BURNED, HIGH HEAT CAUSED THE CATALYST TO MELT AND SAG IN BOTH CONVERTERS. NLM

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