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To: Young, Beverly <NHTSA>, Jimenez, Alberto <NHTSA>, Chiang, George <NHTSA>
Date: 2/8/01 10:01PM
Subject: Car Talk VOQ submission

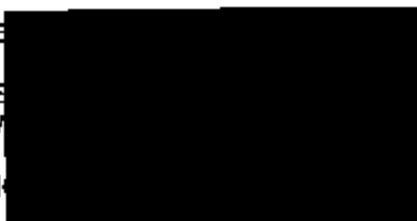
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VEHICLE OWNER'S QUESTIONNAIRE
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OWNER INFORMATION

NAME
ADDRESS
WORKING ADDRESS
TELEPHONE



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

VEHICLE INFORMATION

VIN: 1G8ZK5577PZ253322
MAKE: Saturn
MODEL: SL2
YEAR: 93

ODOMETER: 105000
PURCHASE DATE: NEW OR USED: Used

DEALER NAME:
ADDRESS: ,

ENGINE SIZE: ???
CYLINDERS: 4

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

DRIVER AIRBAG: Yes
PASSENGER AIRBAG: No
3-POINT BELT: No
MOTOR BELT: Yes
2-POINT BELT: No
BODY STYLE: 4-Door

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

COMPONENT: Transmission Died(wouldn't shift to higher gear) at 100,000 miles. It wouldn't go into reverse properly(would chunk into reverse)since purchase date

PART NAME(S): Transmission
Timing Chain and Guides
Leaky Valve Gasket
Fuel Injection blockage

LOCATION:

NUMBER OF FAILURES: Transmission-2 Timing Chain-1

DATE(S) OF FAILURES: Transmission.. died in Nov 2000, Timing Chain In Jan 2000

MILEAGE AT FAILURE(S): 100000-Transmission, 105000-Timing Chain

SPEED AT FAILURE(S): Transmission-30mph or more, Drive Chain-idle

MANUFATURER CONTACTED: Yes

NHTSA CONTACTED: No

APPLICABLE ACCIDENT INFORMATION

ACCIDENT: No
FIRE: No

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

DRIVER AIRBAG DEPLOYED: N/A
PASSENGER AIRBAG DEPLOYED: N/A

REPORTED TO POLICE: No

INFORMATION ON TIRE FAILURE(S) (IF APPLICABLE)

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Saturn was rated as having the least mechanical failures which is why I bought it. It has been a disappointment. I contacted the manufacturer regarding the transmission. There is a TSB out about the reverse problem. I had taken the car into a Saturn Dealer in 1999 to address the problem of not going into reverse. They did nothing and did not inform me of the Transmission TSB. Kottman Transmission fixed the ensuing problem the following year when it would not shift into high gear and told me about the TSB. Saturns response was less than sympathetic. They should pay a portion of the \$2000 it took to fix the transmission.

END OF FORM

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Signature of Owner _____ Date ____/____/____

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) <small>(Location at bottom of and/or above driver's side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1G8ZK5577PZ253322	SATURN	SL2	1993	

Purchase Date	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 4 CYL	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo
<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No Cylinders _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injectio

Transmission Type	Antilock Brakes	Restraint System	Cruise Control	Drive Train	Vehicle Type	Body Style	
<input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Wheel	<input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Sport Util <input type="checkbox"/> Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle	<input type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 05151000	Part Name(s) ENGINE:TIMING GEAR AND CHAIN	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part's <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) C1-JAN-2000 Mileage at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Police <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

TIMING CHAIN AND GUIDES FAILED. *SLC

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Purchase Date <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	Dealer's Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____		Engine Size (CID/CC/L 4 CYL	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injectio		
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FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 05150021	Part Name(s) ENGINE:GASKETS:VALVE COVER	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part's <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) _____ Mileage at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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VEHICLE EXPERIENCES A LEAKY VALVE GAKSET. *SLC

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Component 06300000	Part Name(s) FUEL:FUEL INJECTION SYSTEM	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part's <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
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FUEL INJECTION EXPERIENCED BLOCKAGE. *SLC

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FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 07200000	Part Name(s) POWER TRAIN:TRANSMISSION:STANDARD:MANUAL	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part's <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-NOV-2000 Mileage at Failure(s) 100000 30	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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TRANSMISSION WAS REPLACED, IT WOULD NOT GO INTO REVERSE AND WOULD NOT SHIFT INTO A HIGHER GEAR. *SLC

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