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Subject: Car Talk VOQ submission

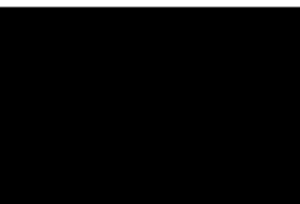
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SUBMISSION DATE: Tuesday, August 21st 2001 at 11:41:23 AM

VEHICLE OWNER'S QUESTIONNAIRE
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OWNER INFORMATION

NAME
ADDRESS
MAILING
TELEPHONE



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

VEHICLE INFORMATION

VIN: 1J4GX48S61C527252
MAKE: Jeep
MODEL: Grand Cherokee Laredo
YEAR: 2001

ODOMETER: 15200
PURCHASE DATE: 11/15/00
NEW OR USED: New

DEALER NAME: Moritz Jeep/Chrysler Ft. Worth (Formerly Troy Aikman Automall)
ADDRESS: Fort Worth, TX 76121

ENGINE SIZE:
CYLINDERS: 6

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

DRIVETRAIN: Rear
DRIVER AIRBAG: Yes
PASSENGER AIRBAG: Yes
3-POINT BELT: Yes
MOTOR BELT: No
2-POINT BELT: No
BODY STYLE: Other

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

COMPONENT: Wheel System
PART NAME(S): Brake Rotor
LOCATION: Left Rear
NUMBER OF FAILURES:
DATE(S) OF FAILURES: 9Aug01
MILEAGE AT FAILURE(S): 15200
SPEED AT FAILURE(S): 45mph
MANUFATURER CONTACTED: Yes
NHTSA CONTACTED: No

APPLICABLE ACCIDENT INFORMATION

ACCIDENT: Yes
FIRE:
NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED: 0
NUMBER OF FATALITIES: 0
ESTIMATED PROPERTY DAMAGE: \$3,300.00
DRIVER AIRBAG DEPLOYED: No
PASSENGER AIRBAG DEPLOYED: No
REPORTED TO POLICE: No

INFORMATION ON TIRE FAILURE(S) (IF APPLICABLE)

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

A 10" inch piece of the left rear brake rotor broke off and lodged between the brake assembly and the mag wheel. This caused the left rear wheel to stop turning at 45mph and caused the vehicle to skid and swerve through a neighbors fence. The accident happened approx 0655 on 9Aug01 (today is 21Aug01) and we still have not gotten a reply from the manufacturer after Chrysler had an independant investigator inspect the vehicle. If the vehicle failure would have happened at 0705 the vehicle would have been going 65-70 mph and there would most likely been a fatality.

END OF FORM



U.S. Department
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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) <small>(Locate at bottom of and/or driver's door jamb)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading		
1J4GX48S61C527252	JEEP	GRAND CHEROKE	2001			
Purchase Date 15-NOV-2000	Dealer's Name _____		Engine Size (CID/CC/L 6 CYL	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injectio		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____		No Cylinders _____			
Transmission Type <input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic	Antilock Brakes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Bel <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Drive Train <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rear <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type <input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Util <input type="checkbox"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	Body Style <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other _____

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 03273000	Part Name(s) BRAKES:HYDRAULIC:DISC:ROTOR:DISC HUB	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) 09-AUG-2001 15200 Mileage at Failure(s) 45	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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Polic <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

A 10 INCH PIECE OF THE LEFT REAR BRAKE ROTOR BROKE OFF AND LODGED BETWEEN THE BRAKE ASSEMBLY AND THE MAG WHEEL, THIS CAUSED THE LEFT REAR WHEEL TO STOP TURNING AND CAUSED THE VEHICLE TO SKID AND SWERVE THROUGH A NEIGHBORS FENCE. *YH

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