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**Subject:** Car Talk VOQ submission

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VEHICLE OWNER'S QUESTIONNAIRE  
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OWNER INFORMATION  
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[REDACTED]  
South Jordan, UT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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

VEHICLE INFORMATION  
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VIN: 1YVGD31C3J5123013  
MAKE: MAZDA  
MODEL: MX-6 GT  
YEAR: 1988

ODOMETER: 73,800  
PURCHASE DATE: 06/15/01  
NEW OR USED: Used

DEALER NAME:  
ADDRESS: ,

ENGINE SIZE: 2.2 LITERS  
CYLINDERS: 4

FUEL INJECTION: Yes  
TURBO: Yes  
FUEL TYPE:  
ANTILOCK BRAKES: Yes  
CRUISE CONTROL: Yes

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

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

COMPONENT: ELECTRICAL

PART NAME(S): ??????????????????????????

LOCATION:

NUMBER OF FAILURES:

DATE(S) OF FAILURES: 2001-2002 since i bought it.

MILEAGE AT FAILURE(S): 68,000

SPEED AT FAILURE(S): AT ANY SPEED

MANUFATURER CONTACTED: No

NHTSA CONTACTED: No

APPLICABLE ACCIDENT INFORMATION

ACCIDENT: No  
FIRE: No

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  
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I have an electrical short that drains the battery in as low as a half an hour after the battery has been charged. we have replaced the alternator 3 times since last year i have replaced the battery, the main fuse and the distributor to the alternator and it continues to short out very fastly i have taken it to hanson services in riverton atleast twice for the same problem i wonder were the short could be i wonder if there might be any recall e.c.t related to this electrical short I can't figure out the problem please help!!!!

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END OF FORM  
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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) <small>(Locate at bottom of and/or above dashboard)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1YVGD31C3J5123013	MAZDA	MX6	1988	

Purchase Date 15-JUN-2001	Dealer's Name _____	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
<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Front <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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### FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 08000000	Part Name(s) ELECTRICAL 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
No of Failure 3	Date(s) of Failure(s) _____ Mileage at Failure(s) 68000 Vehicle Speed 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Police <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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### NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

CONSUMER STATES THAT THERE IS AN ELECTRICAL SHORT THAT DRAINS THE BATTERY IN AS LOW AS HALF AN HOUR AFTER THE BATTERY HAS BEEN CHARGED, THE ALTERNATOR HAS BEEN REPLACED THREE TIMES ALONG WITH THE BATTERY, MAIN FUSE AND DISTRIBUTOR, HOWEVER THE PROBLEM CONTINUES. \*SLC

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