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U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

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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.) (Location of number and check digit)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Readin
1FMDU3ZE7VZC11730	FORD TRUCK	EXPLORER	1997	

Purchase Dat		Engine Size	
☐ New ☒ Used	Dealer's Name_____ City_____ State_____ Zip Code_____	(CID/CC/L ____ No Cylinders ____	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☐ Fuel Injectio

Transmission Type	Antilock Brakes	Restraint System	Cruise Contro	Drive Trai	Vehicle Type	Body Style
☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Bel ☐ Passengerside Airbag	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	☐ Car ☐ Sport Ult ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other_____	☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☒ Other_____

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component	Part Name(s	Location	Failed Part(s
01550000	STEERING:LINKAGES:TIE ROD:INNER	☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	☐ Original ☐ Replacement

No of Failure	Date(s) of Failure(s) 15000 Mileage at Failure(s)	Failed Part(s)	NHTSA Previously
		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ 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	Fire	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalitie	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Polic
☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ Yes ☒ No				☐ Yes ☒ No

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

WHEN TURNING THERE WOULD BE MOANING NOISES. NO EFFECT ON STEERING ABILITY. TOOK VEHICLE TO FIRST DEALER, AND MECHANIC COULD NOT LOCATE CAUSE. AT AN INDEPENDENT MECHANIC WAS INFORMED INNER TIE ROD WAS CAUSING MOANING NOISES.*AK

CONTINUED ON REVERSE

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 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.