



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

ODI RESUME

Investigation: RP 03-001
Prompted By: CONSUMER
Date Opened: 10/31/2003
Principal Investigator: JEFFREY TAYLOR
Subject: EXCESSIVE BRAKE PEDAL MOVEMENT

Manufacturer: FORD MOTOR COMPANY
Products: 2000 - 2002 FORD TAURUS AND 2000-2002 MERCURY SABLE
Population: 374841

Problem Description: VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH ELECTRONICALLY CONTROLLED ADJUSTABLE BRAKE AND ACCELERATOR PEDALS ALLEGEDLY EXPERIENCE EXCESSIVE LATERAL MOVEMENT AND INSUFFICIENT SEPERATION BETWEEN THE BRAKE AND ACCELERATOR PEDALS.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	1	0	1
Crashes/Fires:	0	0	0
Injury Incidents:	0	0	0
# Injuries:	0	0	0
Fatality Incidents:	0	0	0
# Fatalities:	0	0	0
Other*:	0	0	0

*Description Of Other:

Action: THE PETITION IS BEING EVALUATED TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO GRANT OR DENY.

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Summary: A RECALL (02V-266) WAS ISSUED BY FORD MOTOR COMPANY ON IN OCTOBER 2002 FOR THE 2000-2002 TAURUS AND SABLE VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH THE ADJUSTABLE BRAKE AND ACCELERATOR PEDALS. THE REMEDY FOR THE RECALL WAS TO INSPECT, AND IF NECESSARY, ADJUST THE LATERAL SEPERATION OF THE BRAKE AND ACCELERATOR PEDAL TO A MINIMUM OF 50 MM.
 A REVIEW OF ODI'S DATABASE FOR COMPLAINTS REGARDING MY2000 -MY2002 FORD TAURUS AND MERCURY SABLE VEHICLES RELATED TO ADJUSTABLE BRAKE PEDAL APPLICATION DID NOT IDENTIFY ANY RECALL REMEDY COMPLAINTS OTHER THAN THE PETITIONER'S.