



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

## ODI RESUME

Investigation: EA 05-009  
Prompted By: PE05-004, Consumer Complaints  
Date Opened: 06/01/2005  
Principal Investigator: Ali Motamedamin  
Subject: Headlight Malfunction

Manufacturer: DaimlerChrysler Corporation  
Products: 2001-2002 DaimlerChrysler Minivans  
Population: 813,597

Problem Description: Headlight Failure (flicker and/or turn off unexpectedly)

### FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	29	675	704
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	35539	35539

\*Description Of Other: Warranty Claims related to the alleged defect.

Action: An Engineering Analysis (EA) is opened.

Engineer: Ali Motamedamin A.M.  
Div. Chief: Thomas Z. Cooper  
Office Dir.: Kathleen C. DeMeter

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Summary: Consumers are reporting to the agency that their headlights are not operating properly. Consumers are experiencing headlight flicker, dimming and intermittent shutdown while the vehicle is in motion. Some consumers also report that they had their vehicles towed after not being able to restore headlight operation. Headlight operation is controlled and monitored by the vehicle's Body Control Module (BCM) and Front Control Module (FCM).

ODI is opening this EA to further examine the issue.

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