



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

ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE 05-035
Date Opened: 06/28/2005
Principal Investigator: Mark Swanson
Subject: Electrical fire

Manufacturer: Kia Motors America, Inc.
Products: 2003 Kia Sedona
Population: 52,824

Problem Description: Complaints allege vehicle caught fire while parked with ignition off.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	5	0	5
Crashes/Fires:	5	0	5
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 Preliminary Evaluation is opened.

Engineer: Mark B. Swanson /NBS

Date: 06/28/2005

Div. Chief: Thomas Z. Cooper

Date: 06/28/2005

Office Dir.: Kathleen C. DeMeter

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Summary: ODI has received five complaints that allege a subject vehicle fire while parked with the ignition off. Four complaints stated that shortly after driving and parking the vehicle the fire started. One fire occurred while driving and the complainant observed smoke and a burning odor while driving. None of the complaints mentioned any symptom of unusual vehicle operation prior to a fire. One consumer's vehicle was totaled. All reports indicate the fire location to be in the area of the instrument panel near the steering column.

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