

October 11, 2002

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Auburn Hills, MI [REDACTED]

Reference No.: 10516743

V.I.N.: 3B7HC13Z1Y6 [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

This is in regards to the inspection that was performed on your 2000 Dodge Ram pickup, by a representative from Engineering Analysis Associates.

After reviewing the information contained in the file, we are not led to believe a manufacturing responsibility was associated with this incident. Your hood primary, as well as the safety latch, were both in proper working order. Inasmuch as we could find no defects with these latches, we would be unable to participate any further.

Our only suggestion would be to handle this with your insurance carrier. Should they feel DaimlerChrysler has a responsibility, they have full subrogation rights under the terms of your policy.

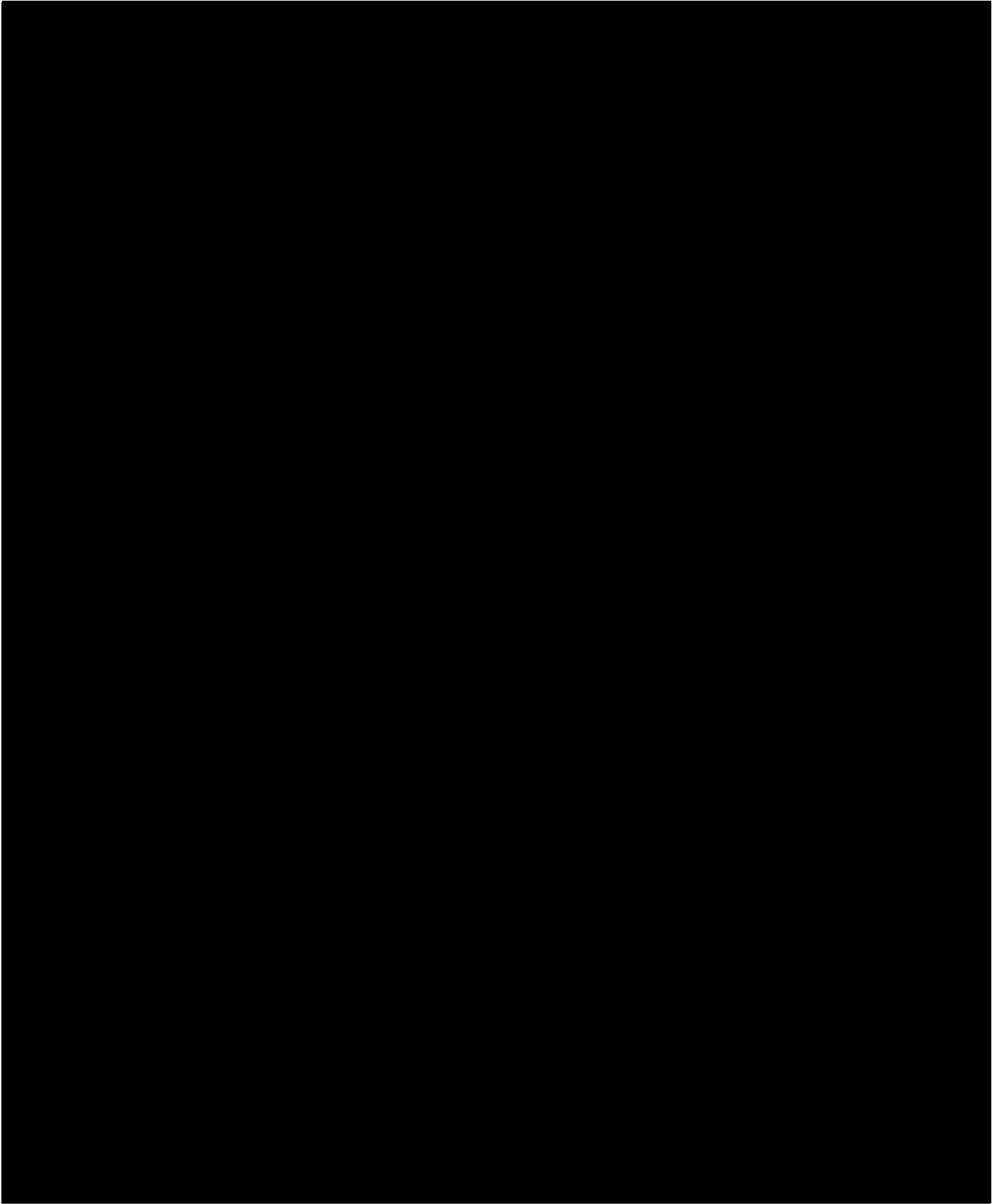
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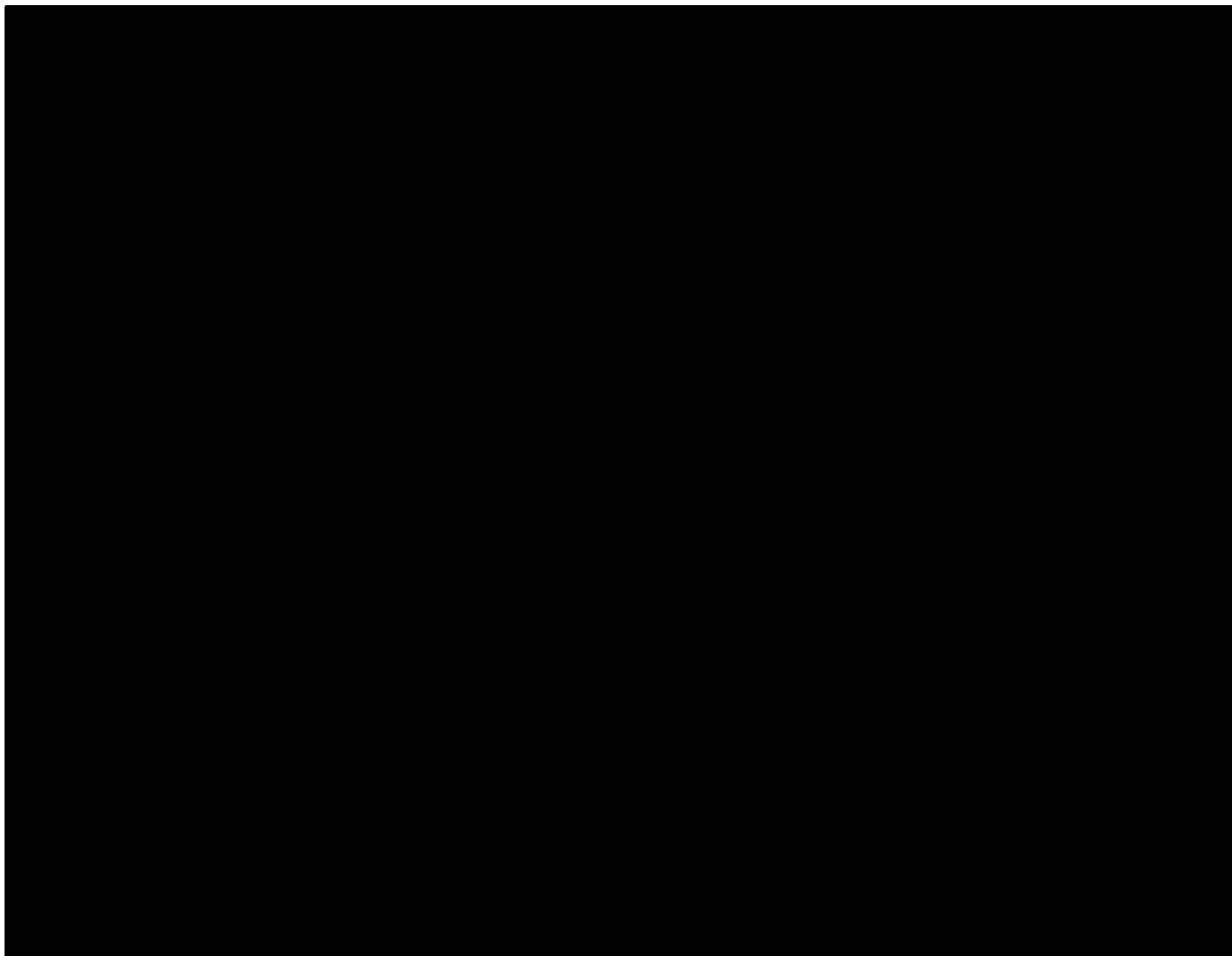
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**PART - C AIRBAG(S) NOT APPLICABLE**

**PART - D SEATS/SHOULDER BELTS NOT APPLICABLE**

**PART - E TRANSMISSION NOT APPLICABLE**

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**PART - F UNINTENDED ACCELERATION NOT APPLICABLE**

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**PART - G BRAKES NOT APPLICABLE**

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**PART - H STEERING/SUSPENSION/TIRES NOT APPLICABLE**

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**PART - I AXLE/DIFFERENTIAL NOT APPLICABLE**

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☒ **PART J - ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (DO NOT DRAW ANY CONCLUSIONS)**

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There is no evidence of hood latch failure primary or secondary. Tested and photographed both latches several times with no failure. There is no corrosion or rust visible. Windshield is cracked starting at a stone chip in the upper center of the w/s. The rear edges of the hood are rolled up but minor damage to the hood.

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