### April 21, 2004

Grange Insurance Mr. Rob Shaffer P.O. Box 1218 Columbus, OH 43216-1218

Re: Insured:

Claim No.: APV000189031 Date of Loss: January 16, 2004

Our File No.: 12216510

VIN: 1B7HC16Z5YS

Dear

This letter is in response to your subrogation letter dated April 13, 2004, regarding the above referenced claim number.

While DaimlerChrysler sincerely regrets loss in this incident, without proof of a manufacturing defect we are unable to accept this subrogation. While was not involved in any recall involving the hood latch, and DaimlerChrysler will require proof of a hood latch failure. If you are in possession of any documentation that shows that this hood latch was defective or failed, please forward a copy to my attention at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

M. R. Porterfield Special Investigations (248) 944-7134

MRP/mtr



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## **HEARING NOTICE**

Docket Number: A080-03087-04-00

Date Filed: 06/07/2004

### **Case Information**

<u>Party</u>	Subsidiary			Representative	File Number	Insured Name	File Re Answe
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TO: DAIMLER CHRYSLER
P.O. BOX 21-8004
AUBURN HILLS, MI 48321-8004

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Date Printed: 07/06/2004

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HEARING NOTICE/DECISION



April 13, 2004

DaimlerChrysler Corporation **Attn: Special Investigations** PO Box 218004

Auburn Hills, MI 48321-8004

RE:

Claim Number:

Date of Loss:

<u> 4 PV000189031</u>

Insured:

01/06/2004

Your File Number:

12216510

Amount of Loss:

\$2,596.65

APR 1 6 2004

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

Dear DaimlerChrysler Corporation:

I am looking to you for reimbursement of \$2,596.65. Enclosed for your review is the file documentation concerning our settlement with our insured.

If liability is denied, I will require a detailed explanation supporting your position.

Grange Insurance has made payment as follows:

\$250.00

Insured's Deductible Loss

\$190.10

Rental Reimbursement

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\$2,156.55

Comprehensive

\$2,596.65

Net Claim Including Deductible

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Rob Shaffer

Subrogation Examiner

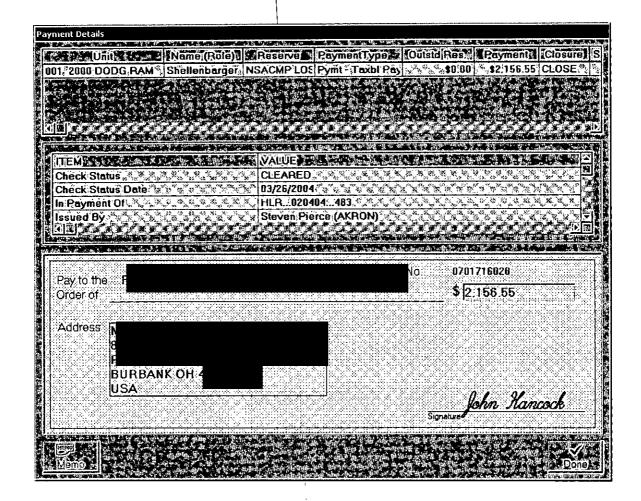
shafferr@grangeinsurance.com

800-422-0550 ext. 2636

614-445-2636

Fax # 614-445-2535

**Enclosures** 



01/20/2004 AT 08:27 AM

CLAIM SUMMARY

APV-189031-01

ADJUSTER: STEVEN PIERCE, APPRAISER: KATHIE STOLL,

CLAIM #: APV-189031-01

POLICY #:

LOSS TYPE: COMPREHENSIVE EVENING: (330) 948-8862

EVENING:

OWNER: ADDRESS:

VEHICLE: 2000 DODG BR1500 4X2 8-5.9L-FI 2D SHORT
VIN: 187HC16Z5YS571568 ODOMETER: 59034 COLOR: GREEN
DRIVEABLE: YES PRIMARY IMPACT POINT: 12. | FRONT

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PLACE OF INSPECTION: NORRIS COLL CTR LODI 8401 ORRIN DR BURBANK, OH 44214

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ı	AFTER-TAX SUBTOTAL	\$	2,406.55	AFTER-TAX SUBTOTAL	\$	0.00
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SETTLEMENT

SETTLEMENT TYPE: REPAIRABLE

NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT: \$2,156.55 ON WITH

SETTLEMENT OUTSTANDING: \$2,156.55

COMMENTS

1-INTERIOR-SOILED

- 2-TIRES-WILD COUNTRY TOURING SUV P255/70R16 LIGHT WEAR
- 3-PAINT-GOOD
- 4-BODY-DENTS ALONG TOP EDGE OF BED

COND 1

NO WREXPERT-HOOD LATCH DEFECTIVE & HOOD FLEW UP-BROKE WINDSHIELD & DAMAGED HOOD/GRILL

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### GRANGE INSURANCE COMPANIES

AKRON

THE CERTIFIED ESTIMATE

P.O. BOX 679
GREEN, OH 44203-0679
(800)686-6754X242 FAX: (800)686-9794

ESTIMATE OF RECORD

WRITTEN BY: ADJUSTER:

KATHIE STOLL 01/20/2004 08:27 AM STEVEN P

INSURED: OWNER : ADDRESS: EVENING:

CLAIM #APV-189031-01 POLICY DATE OF LOSS: 01/06/2004 AT 12:00 AM TYPE OF LOSS: COMPREHENSIVE

POINT, OF IMPACT: 12. FRONT

INSPECT NORRIS COLL CTR LODI LOCATION: 8401 ORRIN DR

BURBANK, OH 44214

REPAIR NORRIS COLL CTR LODI

FACILITY: 8401 ORRIN DR

BURBANK, OH 44214

REPAIR SHOP

DAYS TO REPAIR LICENSE #

2000 DODG BR1500 4X2 8-5.9L-FI 2D SHORT GREEN VIN: 187HC16Z5YS571568 LIC: CJG1684 OH PRO AIR CONDITIONING TILT WHEEL

INTERMITTENT WIPERS
POWER STEERING
POWER LOCKS DUAL MIRRORS POWER BRAKES

STEREO ANTI-LOCK BRAKES (2) CLOTH SEATS SLIDING REAR WINDOW

OVERDRIVE

OH PROD DATE:

AM RADIO CASSETTE

DRIVER AIR BAG SPLIT BENCH SEATS BEDLINER

ALUMINUM/ALLOY WHEEL'S

ODOMETER: 59034

CRUISE CONTROL CLEAR COAT PAINT POWER WINDOWS FM RADIO SEARCH/SEEK

PASSENGER AIR BAG REAR STEP BUMPER AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION

NO.	OP.	DESCRIPTION	QTY	EXT. PRIC	E LABOR	PAINT
1 2 3	REPL	HOOD & GRILLE HOOD FROM 12-6-93 ADD FOR CLEAR COAT ADD FOR UNDERSIDE (COMPLETE)	1	632.00	1.5	3.2
<b>4</b> 5	REPL	HANDLE W/ROD W/O SPORTS PACKAGE	1	10.00		1.6
6	REPL	SAFETY CATCH	1	6.90	INCL.	
7	REPL	GUIDE	1	4.00		
8	REPL	SKID PLATE	1	2.35		
9	REPL	RT HINGE FROM 10-20-97	1	76.50	0.3	0.3
10	REPL	LT HINGE FROM 10-20-97	1	76.50	0.3	0.3
11	REPL	RT DECAL SPORT BLUE	1	40.75	0.3	
12	REPL	LT DECAL SPORT BLUE	1	40.75	0.3	

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ESTIMATE NOTES:

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NOTE-HOOD LATCH WAS WHAT CAUSED DAMAGES-PER INS MANUFACTURER DEFECT THAT HAS BEEN COVER BY DEALER IN PAST??? SO PART NOT COVERED BY LOSS-ONLY RESULTING DAMAGES.

PARTS BODY LABOR PAINT LABOR PAINT SUPPLIES SUBLET/MISC. OTHER CHARGES	7.7 HRS	@\$ 36.00/HR @\$ 36.00/HR @\$ 20.00/HR	1481.85 118.80 277.20 154.00 225.00 3.00
SUBTOTAL SALES TAX	\$ 2256.8	\$ 5 @ 6.5000%	
TOTAL COST OF REPAIRS		\$	2406.55
ADJUSTMENTS: DEDUCTIBLE			250.00
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS NET COST OF REPAIRS		\$ \$	250.00 2156.55

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ESTIMATE OF RECORD
2000 DODG BR1500 4X2 8-5.9L-FI 2D SHORT GREEN

ANY PERSON WHO, WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD OR KNOWING THAT HE IS FACILITATING A FRAUD AGAINST AN INSURER, SUBMITS AN APPLICATION OR FILES A CLAIM CONTAINING A FALSE OR DECEPTIVE STATEMENT IS GUILTY OF INSURANCE FRAUD.

ESTIMATE BASED ON MOTOR CRASH ESTIMATING QUIDE. UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ALL ITEMS ARE DERIVED FROM THE GUIDE DR3TA94 DATABASE DATE 12/2003 AND THE PARTS SELECTED ARE OEM-PARTS MANUFACTURED BY THE VEHICLES ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER. ASTERISK (\*) OR DOUBLE ASTERISK (\*\*) INDICATES THAT THE PARTS AND/OR LABOR INFORMATION PROVIDED BY MOTOR MAY HAVE BEEN MODIFIED OR MAY HAVE COME FROM AN ALTERNATE DATA SOURCE. NON-ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER AFTERMARKET PARTS ARE DESCRIBED AS AM, QUAL REPL PARTS OR COMP REPL PARTS WHICH STANDS FOR COMPETITIVE REPLACEMENT PARTS. USED PARTS ARE DESCRIBED AS LKQ, QUAL RECY PARTS, RCY, OR USED. RECONDITIONED PARTS ARE DESCRIBED AS RECON. RECORED PARTS ARE DESCRIBED AS RECON. RECORED PARTS ARE DESCRIBED AS SPECIFICATIONS, INC. POUND SIGN (#) ITEMS INDICATE MANUAL ENTRIES.

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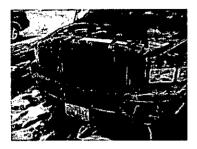
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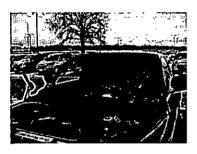
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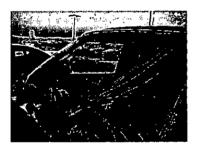
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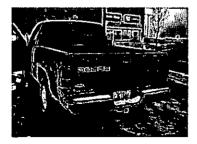
NO. OF TIMES USER WAS NOTIFIED THAT AN AFTERMARKET PART WAS AVAILABLE: 3

NO. OF AFTERMARKET PARTS THAT APPEAR IN THE FINAL ESTIMATE:









Claim Reference Id

APV-189031-01

File Name

РНОТО3

File Date

01/19/2004

Label

Note

Style:0,

DODG

Insured: LossDate:01/06/04

ClaimNumber: APV-189031-011

PolicyNumber:N

**Photo Location** 

NORRIS COLL CTR LODI

Photo Taken By

**KATHIE STOLL** 

Estimate Indicator

E01

Claim Reference Id

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File Name

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File Date

01/19/2004

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BR1500 4X2

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Insured:SHELLENBARGER, LossDate:01/06/04)

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PolicyNumber

Photo Location

NORRIS COLL CTR LODI

Photo Taken By

**KATHIE STOLL** 

Estimate Indicator

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Claim Reference Id

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File Name

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File Date

01/19/2004

Label

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Style:0, DODG, BR1500

Insured:

LossDate:01/06/04 ClaimNumber: APV-189031-01

PolicyNumber:NSA-9163206-12|

**Photo Location** 

**NORRIS COLL CTR LODI** 

Photo Taken By

**KATHIE STOLL** 

Estimate Indicator

E01

Claim Reference Id

APV-189031-01 РНОТО6

File Name

File Date

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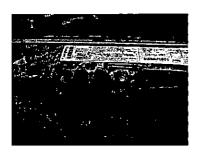
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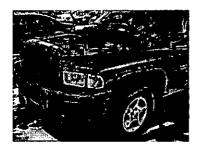
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KATHIE STOLL

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File Name

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Insured:

LossDate:01/05/04

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**Photo Location** 

**NORRIS COLL CTR LODI** 

Photo Taken By

**KATHIE STOLL** 

Estimate Indicator

E01

Claim Reference Id

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File Name

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File Date

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Insured

LossDate:01/06/04

ClaimNumber: APV-189031-01 PolicyNumber

Photo Location

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Estimate Indicator

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1999 Dodge Truck RAM 1500 1/2 Ton 4WD Pickup V8-360 5.9L VIN Z Magnum SFI LDC

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Technical Service Bulletin # 973W

Date: 010401

# Recall - Secondary Hood Latch Lubrication

April 2001

Interim Customer Notice Safety Recall No. 973W Lubricate Secondary Hood Latch

Models

1994-1999 (BR/BE) Dodge Ram Pick-Up Truck

NOTE

This recall applies only to the above trucks built at the:

- Warren Assembly Plant ("S" in the 11th VIN position) built through May 7, 1999 (MDH 0507XX).
- Saltillo Assembly Plant ("G" in the 11th VIN position) built through April 14, 1999 (MDH 0414XX).
- 4 Lago Alberto Assembly Plant ("M" in the 11th VIN position) built through April 21, 1999 (MDH 0421XX).
- St. Louis North Assembly Plant ("J" in the 11th VIN position) built through May 10, 1999 (MDH 0814XX through 0510XX).

NOTE:

Only the above vehicles sold or currently registered in "Salt Belt" states (where large amounts of road salt are used for snow and ice removal) are involved.

(See "Owner Notification & Service Scheduling" section for a listing of salt belt states.)

### IMPORTANT:

Some of the involved vehicles may be in dealer used vehicle inventory. Dealers should complete this service on these vehicles before retail delivery. Dealers should also lubricate the secondary hood latch on vehicles in for service. Involved vehicles can be determined by using the DIAL VIP System.

Subject

The secondary hood latch on about 793,000 of the above trucks may stick in the open position. This could allow the hood to open unexpectedly while driving if the primary (main) latch mechanism is not engaged.

DaimlerChrysler Corporation has notified the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of its intent to conduct a safety recall to replace the secondary hood latch with a new secondary hood latch. The parts to implement this recall will not be available for many months. Customers have been sent an interim notice informing them of the future recall. The interim notice further requests that they ensure the primary hood latch is engaged and provides instructions to lubricate the secondary latch. Customers have been advised that they may have the secondary latch lubricated at dealerships. This notification provides the instructions for that lubrication.

Repair

DaimlerChrysler is working to obtain the parts to correct this condition as quickly as possible. However, it may take many months to complete the tooling, make and validate the parts and then deliver them to dealers. When the parts are available, another notification will be sent asking customers to bring their truck to their dealer to have this condition repaired.

In the interim, customers may schedule appointments to have the secondary hood latch lubricated. Combined with ensuring that the primary hood latch is engaged, lubrication will ensure that the hood remains latched during vehicle operation

Parts Information

Pan: Number

Description

04318066

Mopar Spray White Lube (Lithium Grease)

NOTE:

There is enough lubricant in each can of spray white lube to lubricate approximately 20 secondary hood latches.

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DIAL System Functions 53 and VIP

All involved vehicles have been entered to DIAL System Functions 53 and VIP for dealer inquiry as needed.

Function 53 provides involved dealers with an updated VIN list of their vehicles. The customer name, address and phone number are listed if known. Vehicles that have been lubricated are removed from Function 53 within several days of repair claim submission. To use this system. type "53," at the "ENTER FUNCTION" prompt, then type "0RD973".

Completion Reporting and Reimbursement

Claims for vehicles that have been serviced must be submitted on the DIAL System.

Use the following labor operation number and time allowance:

Labor Operation

Time

Number

Allowance

Lubricate the secondary hood latch

LU-BE-BR-8Z

0.2 hours

### NOTE:

Normal shop supplies such as general-purpose lubricants (tube or sprays) are not reimbursable separately on warranty claims.

Because this is a precursor to a future recall, the claims should be handled in accordance with the recall claim processing instructions. See the Warranty Administration Manual, Recall Claim Processing Section, for complete instructions.

### Service Procedure

Secondary Hood Latch Lubrication

With the engine OFF, open the hood, ા.

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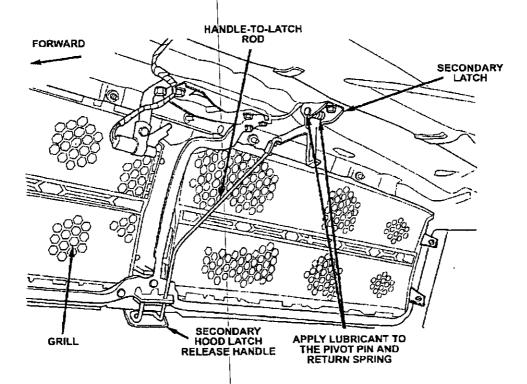


Figure 1 - Underhood View Shown

- Using Mopar Spray White Lube (Lithium Grease) or equivalent, spray the secondary hood latch pivot pin and return spring (Figure 1).
- Activate the secondary latch several times to ensure that the latch fully returns to the closed position and does not bind or stick.
- Close the hood, making sure that the primary latch is engaged.

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# DAIMLERCHRYSLER

Dear Dodge Ram Pick-Up Truck Owner.

We are writing to inform you of a future safety recall on some 1994 through 1999 model year Ram pick-up trucks. These trucks have been operated for extended periods in geographic areas using large amounts of road salt for ice and snow removal. This safety action relates to a secondary latch that helps secure your vehicle's hood. There is also a primary latch, which is the principle mechanism holding the hood in place. Corrosion of the return spring on the secondary latch may cause the mechanism to bind in the "release position." If the primary latch is not engaged, and if the secondary latch binds, the hood could open unexpectedly.

This recall will include some 1994 and 1995 model year trucks that were involved in a prior safety recall involving the hood latch bracket. We have determined that those vehicles should be further repaired as part of this action.

We expect to send you another notification by the end of this year. At that time, we will ask you to take your vehicle to your dealer for installation of a replacement secondary latch.

During the interim, you can take some simple steps to ensure that your hood is secured. Your truck is equipped with both a primary and a secondary hood latch. If the primary hood latch is engaged, your hood will stay latched despite any corrosion to the secondary hood latch. To ensure the primary hood latch is engaged, open and close your hood strongly, then attempt to pull up on the hood. If the primary hood is engaged, the hood should not lift.

As a further measure, we ask that you lubricate the secondary hood latch in accordance with the instructions on the back of this letter. Lubrication will prevent the secondary hood latch from binding. If you prefer, you may make a service appointment with your dealer and your dealer will lubricate the secondary hood latch free of charge.

With these simple steps – ensuring that the primary latch is engaged and lubricating the secondary latch – your hood will stay secure. We will again notify you by letter when it is time to make an appointment with your dealer to have an improved secondary hood latch installed on your truck without charge.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you. If you have any further questions about this action, please call our Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-853-1403. A representative will assist you.

Customer Services Field Operations DaimlerChrysler Corporation 973W 1999 Dodge Truck RAM 1500 1/2 Ton 4WD Pickup V8-360 5.9L VIN Z Magnum SFI LDC

# Secondary Hood Latch Lubrication:

- 1. With the engine OFF, release the primary hood latch by pulling the hood release lever located below the steering wheel, at the bottom of the instrument panel.
- 2. Reach into the opening under the center of the grille and push up on the secondary hood latch release handle and open the hood (Figure 1).
- 3. Using Mopar Spray White Lube (Lithium Grease) or equivalent, spray the secondary hood latch pivot pin and return spring (Figure 1).
- 4. Push up on the secondary latch release handle several times to ensure that the latch fully returns to the closed position and does not bind or stick. Apply additional lubricant as required until the secondary latch operates freely.
- 5. Close the hood. Pull up on the hood to make sure that the primary latch is engaged.

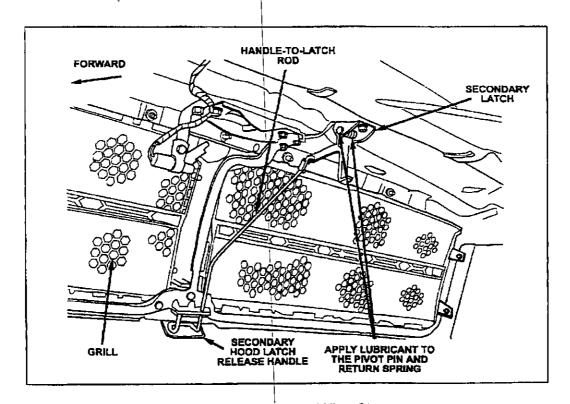
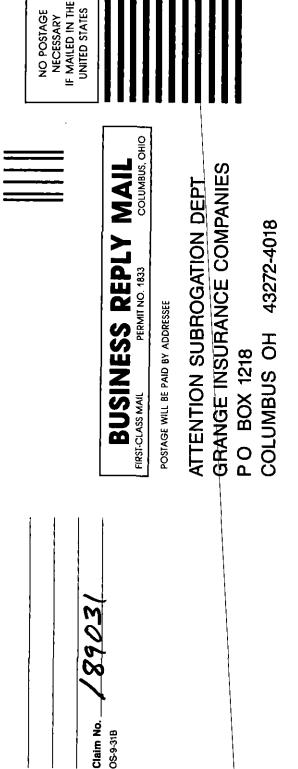


Figure 1 - Underhood View Shown

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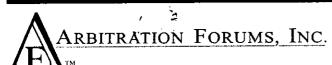
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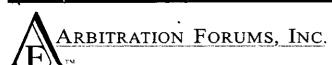
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# ARBITRATION FORUMS, INC. CONTENTION SHEET

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Company: Grange Indemnity Insurance Co.

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### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES:**

() Check if Affirmative Defense - If checked list defenses:

### **CONTENTIONS:**

This loss is a result of a secondary hood latch failure on the Applicant insured's 2000 Dodge Ram – VIN #: 1B7HC16Z5Y

The Applicant was traveling down the road when unexpectedly the hood on his vehicle flew up damaging the hood and windshield. After inspection it was found the secondary latch failed, releasing the hood. Upon investigation into this matter it was discovered that the Applicant insured's vehicle was under a safety recall for the Secondary Hook Latch.

The vehicles recalled were located in the "Salt Belt" states, which includes Ohio. The recall was for vehicles manufactured in 1994 through 1999. Even though the Applicant vehicle is listed as a 2000 Dodge Ram, provided is proof through the VIN # that this vehicle was manufactured in 1999, and was shipped for sale September 1999.

Also provided is a list of the models that are recalled in accordance with VIN #s for the safety repair. Please note that the trucks built at the Warren Assembly Plant with "S" in the 11<sup>th</sup> VIN position was recalled. This VIN position matched the Applicant's vehicle.

Provided are photographs establishing the failure of the secondary hood latch. The Applicant has provided proof that the Applicant vehicle was under a safety recall, and that the direct cause of the resulting damages to the Dodge Ram from the secondary hood latch.

The Applicant requests a favorable decision to recover for damages to the 2000 Dodge Ram.

### **EVIDENCE:**

- 1. Several (4) letters, bulletins and/or notices on the recall by the Respondent company
- 2. Proof of ownership and shipping information
- 3. Photographs
- 4. Check copy and bill of repair

### **ITEMIZATION OF DAMAGES:**

\$2,156.55 Applicant's interest for damages

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### **OTHER REMARKS:**

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