Windsor, NY

Reference No.: 15751857

VIN: 1B7HF16Y11S

Dear

This is in regard to the inspection that was performed on your vehicle by a representative of Engineering Analysis Associates.

I have had the opportunity to review the inspection report generated by our engineering firm and must advise you that we do not feel a manufacturer's responsibility exists.

The hood latch on your vehicle showed a very dry condition absent of proper lubrication. This lack of lubrication created a corrosive condition that caused the latches to fail to return to their proper position.

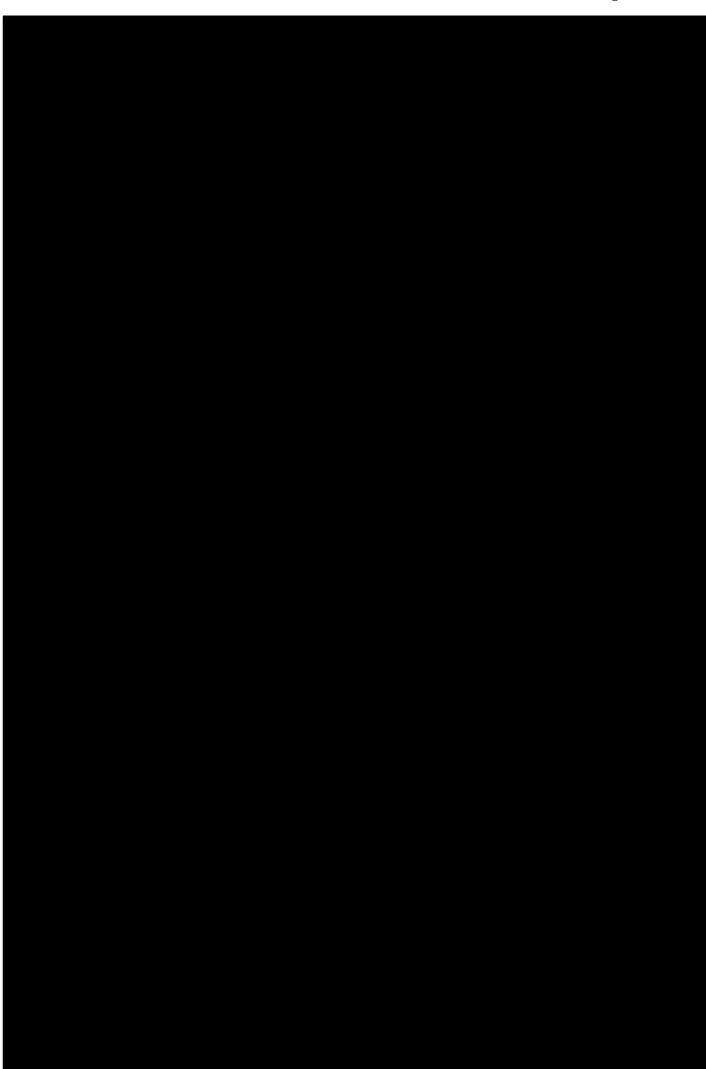
Had the latches been properly lubricated during services on the vehicle, we do not feel that this condition would have occurred. It is our suggestion that you keep these latches lubricated and indeed, lubricate them every time you have the oil changed on the vehicle.

Again, while we regret your loss, we do not feel DaimlerChrysler Motors Corporation has a responsibility in this matter.

Sincerely,

Roger Special Investigations (248) 944-7056

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# PART B - EXTERIOR/INTERIOR VEHICLE DAMAGE

**REQUIRED PHOTOGRAPHS:** 

**™** WINDSHIELD

✓ ALL AREAS OF DAMAGE MARKINGS ON INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR

CLOSE UPS OF STAINS, SKIN, HAIR, CLOTH

EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR DAMAGE INCLUDING UNDERCARRIAGE

**INFORMATION:** 

▼ DESCRIBE ANY INJURIES TO DRIVER AND/OR OTHER **OCCUPANTS** 

SEE SEAT BELT/SEATS SECTION IF APPLICABLE Damages are to the windshield. Bent left and right side hood hinges. Hood panel is buckled and dented. No personal injuries reported. No seatbelt concerns. No other property damages.

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# PART - C AIRBAG(S) NOT APPLICABLE PART - D SEATS/SHOULDER BELTS NOT APPLICABLE PART - E TRANSMISSION NOT APPLICABLE Previous

# **PART - F UNINTENDED ACCELERATION NOT APPLICABLE**

#### **PART - G BRAKES NOT APPLICABLE**

# PART - H STEERING/SUSPENSION/TIRES NOT APPLICABLE

# PART - I AXLE/DIFFERENTIAL NOT APPLICABLE

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

The primary hood lock binds and sticks. The release cable also binds. The secondary safety latch is severly rusted, corroded and seized in the open/unlock position.

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