Howell, Rosa (NHTSA)

From: Hershman, Larry (NHTSA)

Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2010 9:28 AM

To: Howell, Rosa (NHTSA)
Cc: Yon, Scott (NHTSA)

Subject: FW: Jeep Grand Cherokee Fuel System Petition

Rosa,

Here is another supplement to the Jeep Grand Cherokee petition, file # DP09-005, for inclusion into Artemis.

Thanks, Larry

From: Demeter, Kathleen (NHTSA)

Sent: Monday, January 11, 2010 11:47 AM

To: Hershman, Larry (NHTSA)

Subject: FW: Jeep Grand Cherokee Fuel System Petition

Another submission

From: Clarence Ditlow [mailto:cmdiii@autosafety.org]

Sent: Friday, January 08, 2010 9:58 PM

To: Demeter, Kathleen (NHTSA)

Cc: Yon, Scott (NHTSA)

Subject: Jeep Grand Cherokee Fuel System Petition

Please include and consider in our petition the attached drawings scanned from the Mitchell International 'Unibody and Chassis Frame Specifications and Dimensions Manual.' These manuals are used routinely inside the automotive OEM and repair/service industry.

Please note the mark-ups of the Jeep frame section drawings that depict the location (or lack-thereof) of the fuel filler tube pass-thru holes. The yellow comment boxes have been added only to highlight the subject locations.

At the Center's request, Paul Sheridan has personally inspected many model-year versions of Jeep Cherokee and Jeep Grand Cherokee vehicles to confirm that the fuel filler tube is made of rubber and passes through the frame rail in 1993-98 Jeep Grand Cherokees and under the frame rail in 1999-04 Jeep Grand Cherokees. We are sending out another investigator to examine Grand Cherokees in Florida to confirm this information. Also attached are detailed photos of the steel filler neck, the rubber filler tube and the plastic tank in the Grand Cherokee examined by MVFRI.

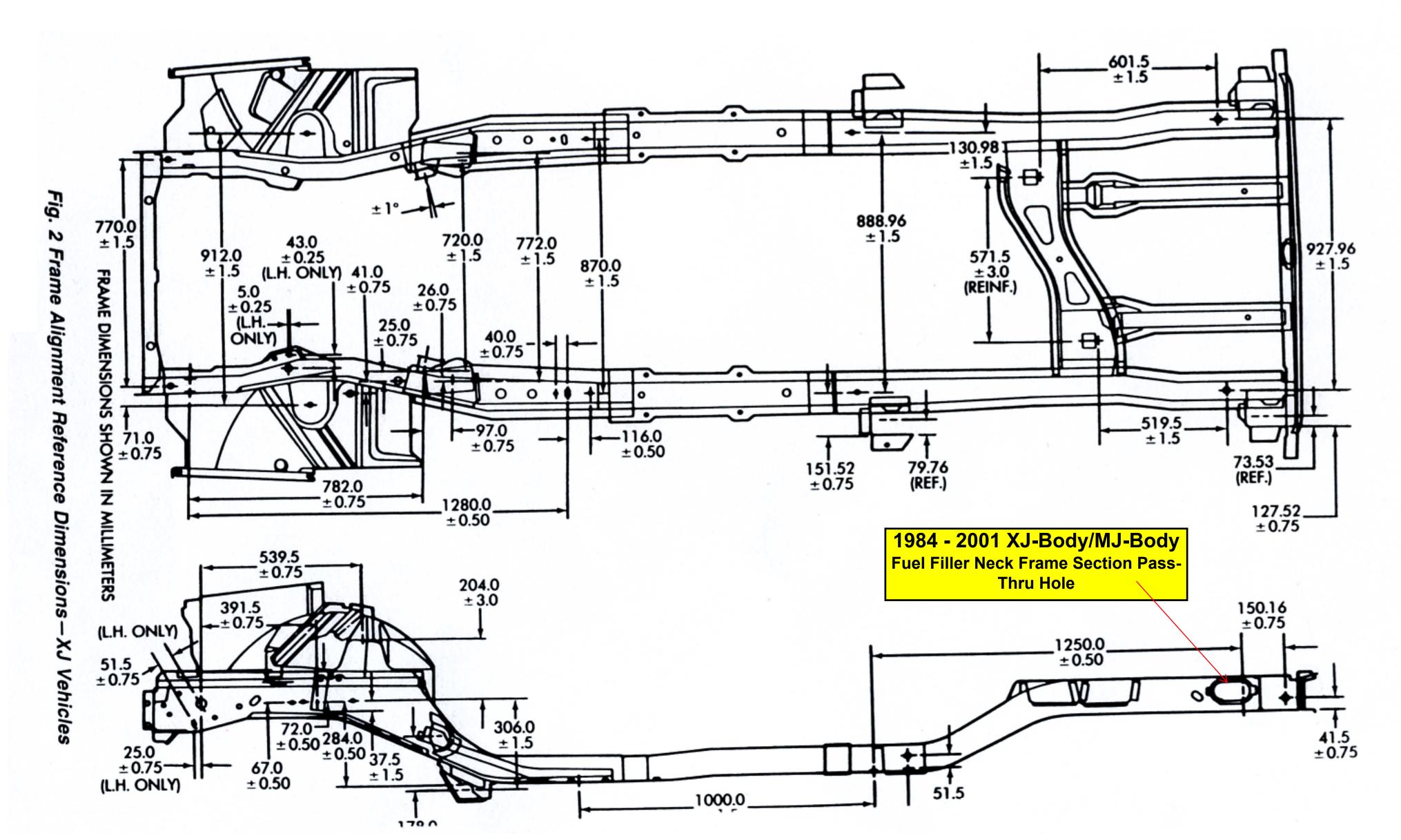
This is a defective design of the fuel filler tube whose performance is not measured by FMVSS 301.

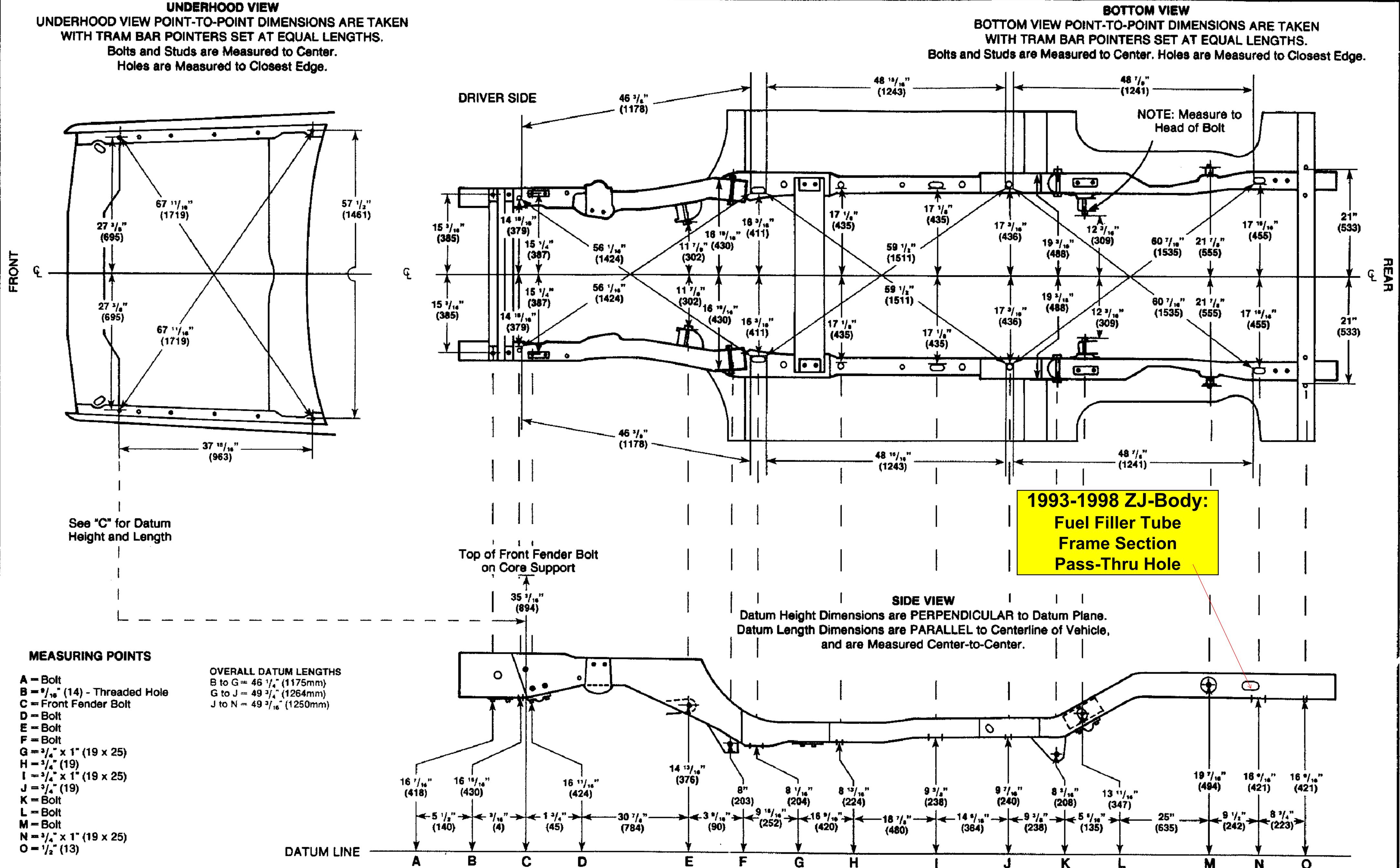
Please do not hesitate to contact me as needed.

Paul Sheridan

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DP09-005 ATTACHMENT





1999 JEEP CHEROKEE (All Models)

