

Howell, Rosa (NHTSA)

From: Hershman, Larry (NHTSA)
Sent: Tuesday, May 04, 2010 1:53 PM
To: Howell, Rosa (NHTSA)
Cc: Boyd, Richard (NHTSA); Yon, Scott (NHTSA)
Subject: FW: TX Crash

Rosa,
Please include this additional email from Mr. Ditlow below in the public repository for DP09005.
Thanks,
Larry

From: Clarence Ditlow [mailto:cmdiii@autosafety.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 04, 2010 12:04 PM
To: Medford, Ronald (NHTSA)
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Subject: FW: TX Crash

Earlier we asked that NHTSA request the actual claim or notice information behind the 23 1993-04 Jeep Grand Cherokee fire or fuel system reports as part of the agency's consideration of Defect Petition DP09-005. We also asked that our request to obtain the underlying EWR be placed in the docket. I checked the docket today & the request is not there. Please place our request in the docket.

In the meantime, we are hand searching EWR and comparing it to our FARS search. We are uncovering discrepancies which make it essential that NHTSA obtain the EWR records from Chrysler in order to address our petition. For example, the FARS record below lists 2 deaths in the 2000 Grand Cherokee involved in the fatal fire crash but EWR shows only 1 death. FARS does not code the Most Harmful Event as fire but EWR reports both a fire related and a fuel system claim.

2006 FARS #480867 has 2 deaths listed in the Jeep, and zero in vehicle #2.

04/28/06*	FARS	Dallas	I-30	2	2000 Grand
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The EWR entry matches the VIN and date of the FARS crash, but only lists 1 death.

Make: JEEP
Deaths: 1
Model: GRAND CHEROKEE
Injuries: 0
Model Year: 2000
VIN: 1J4G248S2YC...
State/Foreign Country: TX
Incident Date: 04/28/2006
Sequence ID: 89

Reported Components:

- A. Fire Related
- B. Engine & Engine Cooling
- C. Fuel System

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