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*Buckle up
for Safety!*

SAFETY RECALL – POWER STEERING HOSE

Dear: (Name)

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. DaimlerChrysler Corporation has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in some **2001 through 2004 model year Chrysler PT Cruiser and 2005 model year Chrysler PT Cruiser Convertible vehicles equipped with a 2.4L non-turbocharged engine and an automatic transaxle.**

The problem is... **The power steering pressure hose on your PT Cruiser (VIN: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx) may contact the transaxle differential cover. Prolonged power steering hose contact can cause the hose to rub through and leak power steering fluid. Power steering fluid leakage in the presence of an ignition source can result in an underhood fire.**

What your dealer will do... **DaimlerChrysler will repair your vehicle free of charge (parts and labor). To do this, your dealer will inspect and reposition the power steering hose. Any damaged hoses will be replaced. The inspection and repositioning will take about ½ hour to complete. Hose replacement, if necessary, will require another hour. However, additional time may be necessary depending on how dealer appointments are scheduled and processed.**

What you must do to ensure your safety... **Simply contact your dealer right away to schedule a service appointment. Remember to bring this letter with you to your dealer.**

If you need help... **If you have questions or concerns which your dealer is unable to resolve, please contact DaimlerChrysler at 1-800-853-1403.**

Please help us update our records, by filling out the enclosed prepaid postcard, if any of the conditions listed on the card apply to you or your vehicle. Be sure to print the last eight (8) characters of the VIN (VVVVVVVV) and notification code D18 on the postcard.

If you have already experienced this condition and have paid to have it repaired, you may send your original receipts and/or other adequate proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement: DaimlerChrysler, P.O. Box 610207, Port Huron, MI 48061-0207, Attention: Reimbursement.

If your dealer fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236.

We're sorry for any inconvenience, but we are sincerely concerned about your safety. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Customer Services Field Operations
DaimlerChrysler Corporation
Notification Code D18

Note to lessors receiving this recall: Federal regulation requires that you forward this recall notice to the lessee within 10 days.