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SECTION 1

PURPOSE AND SUMMARY OF TEST

PURPOSE

The purpose of this test was to obtain data in a static out-of-position side air bag deployment. These data constitute part of the general consumer information collected by the New Car Assessment Program (NCAP) sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) under contract number DTNH22-03-D-12005.

SUMMARY

The effects of a curtain airbag deployment in a 2008 Dodge Grand Caravan with an out-of-position SID-IIs Build Level D were evaluated. The test was performed by MGA Research Corporation on July 1, 2008. Pre and post test photographs of the vehicle and dummy can be found in Appendix A.

One real-time camera (24 fps) and three high-speed cameras (1000 fps) were used to document the side airbag deployment event. The following camera locations were used:

- Left Side Through Removed Driver Door
- Front Through Windshield
- Left Side $\frac{3}{4}$ View Through Windshield

One SID-IIs Build Level D dummy (Serial Number 032) was placed in the right front passenger seat situated in the inboard-facing position per Section 3.3.5.3 according to dummy placement instructions specified in the Recommended Procedures for Evaluating Occupant Injury Risk from Deploying Side Airbags as prepared by the Side Airbag Out-of-Position Injury Technical Working Group (TWG).

The dummy was instrumented with the following instrumentation:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| • Head Accelerations | • Rib Accelerations |
| • Upper Neck Load Cell | • Lumbar Load Cell |
| • Lower Neck Load Cell | • Left Ilium Crest Load Cell |
| • Shoulder Load Cell | • Left Acetabulum Load Cell |
| • Upper Spine Accelerations | • Spine Box Accelerations |
| • Lower Spine Accelerations | • Pelvic Accelerations |
| • Rib Displacements | |

The 50 channels of data were recorded on an on-board data acquisition system. Appendix B contains the dummy data traces. Appendix C contains the instrumentation calibration data.

The SID-IIs dummy's visible contact points were as follows: The curtain airbag to the top and back of the head.

The SID-IIs dummy was placed in the right front passenger seat facing toward the center of the vehicle with its arm against the seatback. The arm was rotated horizontally in the forward direction with respect to the dummy. The seat track was adjusted forward. The dummy's pelvis was slid outboard until the dummy's back contacted the door trim panel or armrest and the CG of the head was centered in the deployment trajectory of the airbag. The vertical plane through the centerline of the dummy's rib-stiffener and shoulder bolt was parallel to the centerline of the vehicle. Masking tape was wrapped around the dummy's neck bracket to hold the dummy in place.

This orientation complies with Section 3.3.5.3 of the TWG Recommended Procedures for Evaluating Occupant Injury Risk from Deploying Side Airbags as defined by Lund, et al and the Technical Working Group First Revision dated July, 2003.

SECTION 2
OCCUPANT AND VEHICLE INFORMATION / DATA SHEETS

DATA SHEET NO. 1
TEST SUMMARY

	Test Data	Description
Seating Position	P2	Right Front Seating Position
Test	3.3.5.3*	Side-facing SID-IIs dummy
Curtain Airbag	Roof-Rail Mounted	Side Airbag
Torso Airbag	Seat Mounted	Side Airbag
ATD Type/Serial No.	SID-IIs Build Level D / 032	5 th Percentile Adult Female

* Procedure as defined by Lund, et al and the Technical Working Group dated July, 2003

Number of Data Channels	50
Number of Real-Time Video	1
Number of High-Speed Video	3

Visible Dummy Contact Points	
Head Contact	Curtain airbag to top and back of head
Left Shoulder Contact	None
Left Torso Contact	None
Left Pelvis Contact	None

DATA SHEET NO. 2**TEST VEHICLE INFORMATION**

Please note that this vehicle had previously been tested in an
NCAP Frontal Impact on August 30, 2007.

TEST VEHICLE INFORMATION

Manufacturer	Dodge
Model	Grand Caravan
Body Style	MPV
NHTSA No.	M80307TWG2
VIN	2D8HN44H68R104829
Color	Stone White
Delivery Date	8/16/2007
Odometer Reading (mile)	88
Dealer	Frank Boucher
Transmission	Automatic
Final Drive	Front
Number of Cylinders	6
Engine Displacement (L)	3.3
Engine Placement	Lateral
Automatic Door Lock (ADL)	Yes
Owners Manual Details Instructions on Disabling ADLs	Yes
Bucket Seats	Yes

TEST VEHICLE OPTIONS

Front Airbag	Yes
Driver Side Curtain Airbag	Yes
Driver Side Torso Airbag	No
Rear Passenger Side Curtain Airbag	Yes
Rear Passenger Side Torso Airbag	No
Force Limiter	Yes
Pretensioner	Yes
Power Steering	Yes
Power Door Locks	Yes
Tilt Wheel	Yes
Air Conditioning	Yes
Anti-lock Brakes	Yes
Traction Control	No
All Wheel Drive	No
Power Seats	No

DATA FROM CERTIFICATION LABEL

Manufactured By	DaimlerChrysler Corporation
Date of Manufacture	8-07

GVWR (kg)	2745
GAWR Front (kg)	1339
GAWR Rear (kg)	1407

Measured Parameter	Front	Rear	Third	Total
Type of Seats	Bucket	Bucket	Bench	
Number of Occupants	2	2	3	7
Capacity Wt. (VCW) (kg)				521
Cargo Wt. (RCLW) (kg)				45

DATA SHEET NO. 3
DUMMY POSITIONING IN VEHICLE

Measurement		Value
Seat Position		Rearmost
Seat Height Position		Lowest
Placed in Position No. 2		---
Seat Back Angle	SA (°)	24
Top of Airbag Module to Head/Neck Junction	AN (mm)	---
Head CG to Door Panel/Window	HD (mm)	176
Head to Headrest	HSC (mm)	212
Chest to Dash	CD (mm)	602
Chest to Seatback	CS (mm)	212
Right Arm to Seat Back Centerline	RACL (mm)	---
Left Arm to Seat Back Centerline	LACL (mm)	---
Right Arm to Door Panel	RA (mm)	150
Left Arm to B-Post	LA (mm)	109
Knee to Knee	KK (mm)	131
Toe to Toe	TT (mm)	114
Right Knee to Seat Cushion Centerline	KSCR (mm)	---
Left Knee to Seat Cushion Centerline	KSCL (mm)	---
Right Toe to Seat Cushion Centerline	TSCR (mm)	---
Left Toe to Seat Cushion Centerline	TSCL (mm)	---
Nose to Dash	ND (mm)	707
Nose to Headrest	NS (mm)	226
Top of Head to Headliner	HH (mm)	89

DATA SHEET NO. 4
DUMMY INJURY CRITERIA VALUES

NHTSA No. M80307TWG2

		MAXIMUM VALUE			
		Position No. 2			
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	MAXIMUM	TIME (ms)	MINIMUM	TIME (ms)
Head X	g	12.1	47.9	-9.0	24.5
Head Y	g	9.8	26.6	-28.6	12.7
Head Z	g	16.8	11.8	-11.6	15.7
Head Resultant	g	31.7	12.6		
Upper Neck Fx	N	200.7	168.6	-102.4	24.4
Upper Neck Fy	N	242.1	23.5	-230.1	12.8
Upper Neck Fz	N	13.8	0.1	-1254.1	15.0
Upper Neck F Resultant	N	1263.1	15.0		
Upper Neck Mx	Nm	31.2	14.4	-22.9	26.6
Upper Neck My	Nm	9.5	13.5	-26.4	135.4
Upper Neck Mz	Nm	3.6	55.8	-5.4	266.1
Upper Neck M Resultant	Nm	32.4	14.3		
Lower Neck Fx	N	48.4	12.6	-445.5	177.0
Lower Neck Fy	N	256.1	25.1	-354.8	15.3
Lower Neck Fz	N	5.8	0.0	-1245.6	15.2
Lower Neck F Resultant	N	1294.8	15.3		
Lower Neck Mx	Nm	30.3	25.1	-21.9	15.2
Lower Neck My	Nm	63.5	27.1	-10.2	225.2
Lower Neck Mz	Nm	14.0	25.1	-15.9	15.3
Lower Neck M Resultant	Nm	70.6	26.9		

DATA SHEET NO. 4 (continued)
DUMMY INJURY CRITERIA VALUES

NHTSA No. M80307TWG2

ATD position	HEAD INJURY CRITERIA (HIC)					
	HIC15			HIC36		
	HIC	T ¹ (msec)	T ² (msec)	HIC	T ¹ (msec)	T ² (msec)
No. 2 Right Front	12.5	10.4	14.1	12.5	10.4	14.1

Position 2 Neck Injury Summary (SID-IIs Build Level D – Out-Of-Position)

	Nij	Time (msec)	Z Force (N) (CFC 600)	X Force (N) (CFC 600)	Y Moment (N-m) (CFC 600)
Ntf	0.00	0.2	12.50	-2.26	0.00
Nte	0.00	-1.4	6.55	0.84	-0.12
Ncf	0.36	15.1	-1250.58	132.97	8.81
Nce	0.58	148.8	-697.50	117.31	-24.60
Peak Tension (CFC1000)	13.8 N		Peak Compression (CFC 1000)		-1254.1 N

Critical Values

Nij Intercepts				Peak Limits	
Tension (CVt)	3880 N	Extension (mCVe)	61 N-m	Tension	2070 N
Compression (CVc)	3880 N	Flexion (mCVf)	155 N-m	Compression	2520 N
Condyle Offset	0.01778 m				

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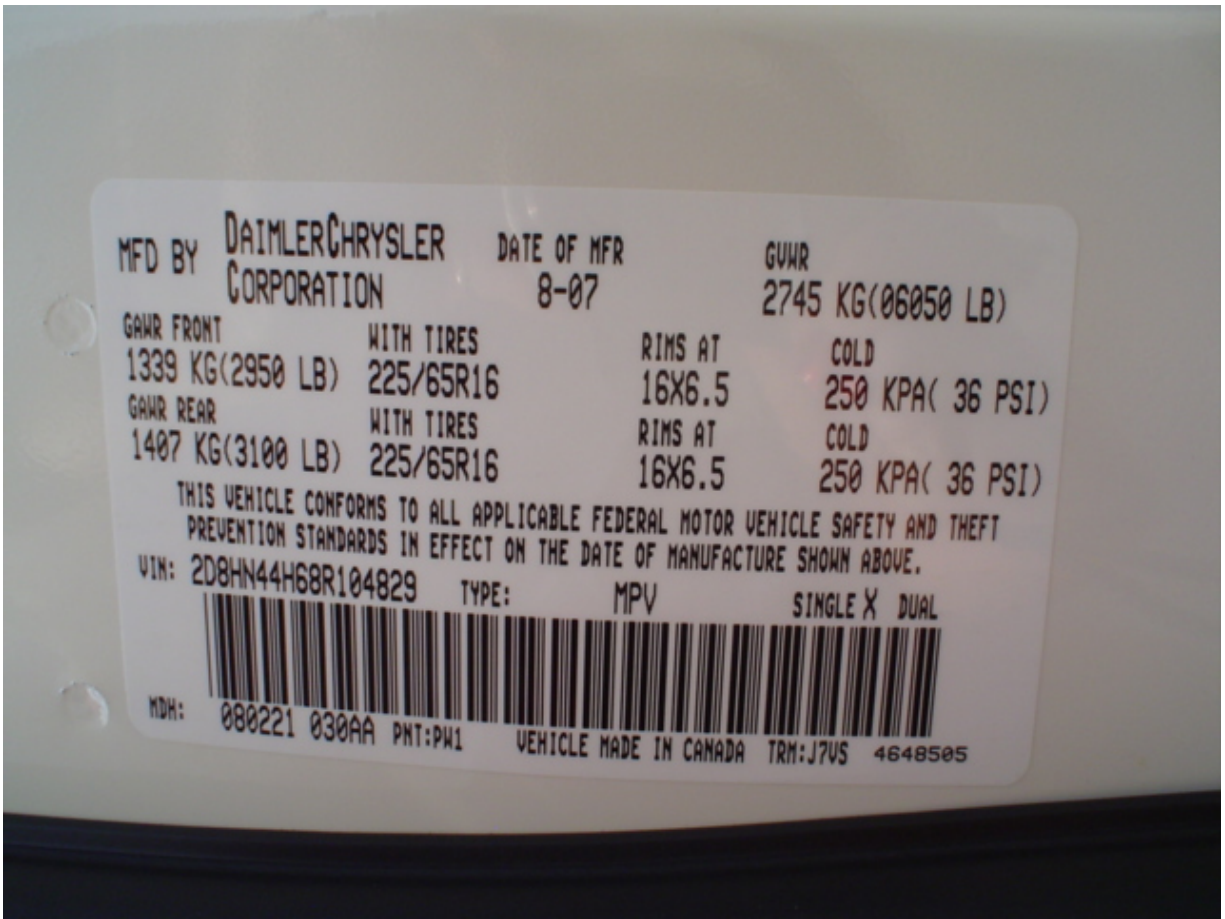
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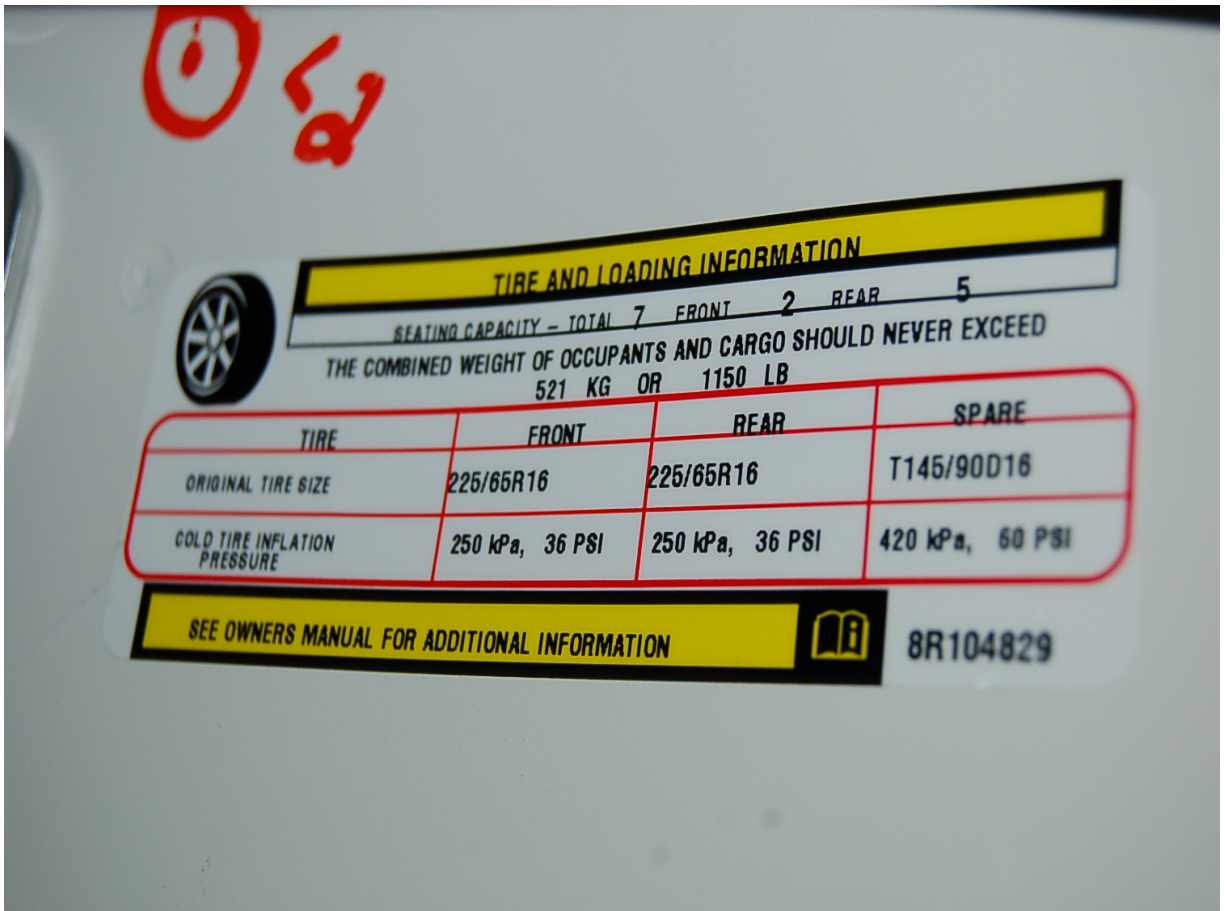
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Post-Test Vehicle Left Side View



Vehicle Certification Placard



Vehicle Tire Placard



Pre-Test SID-IIs Dummy Left Side View



Post-Test SID-IIs Dummy Left Side View



Post-Test SID-IIs Dummy Left Side Closeup View



Pre-Test SID-IIs Dummy Left $\frac{3}{4}$ Front View



Post-Test SID-IIs Dummy Left $\frac{3}{4}$ Front View



Pre-Test SID-IIs Dummy Left $\frac{3}{4}$ Front Closeup View



Post-Test SID-IIs Dummy Left $\frac{3}{4}$ Front Closeup View



Pre-Test SID-IIs Dummy Front Closeup View



Post-Test SID-IIs Dummy Front Closeup View



Pre-Test SID-IIs Dummy Right $\frac{3}{4}$ Front View



Post-Test Right Front Passenger Compartment View



Post-Test Curtain Airbag View

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DUMMY RESPONSE DATA TRACES

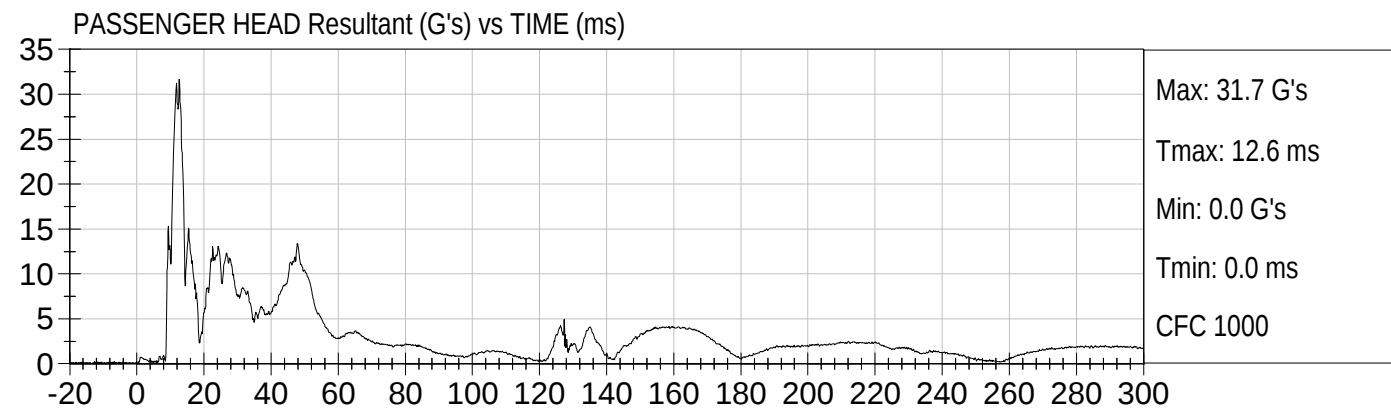
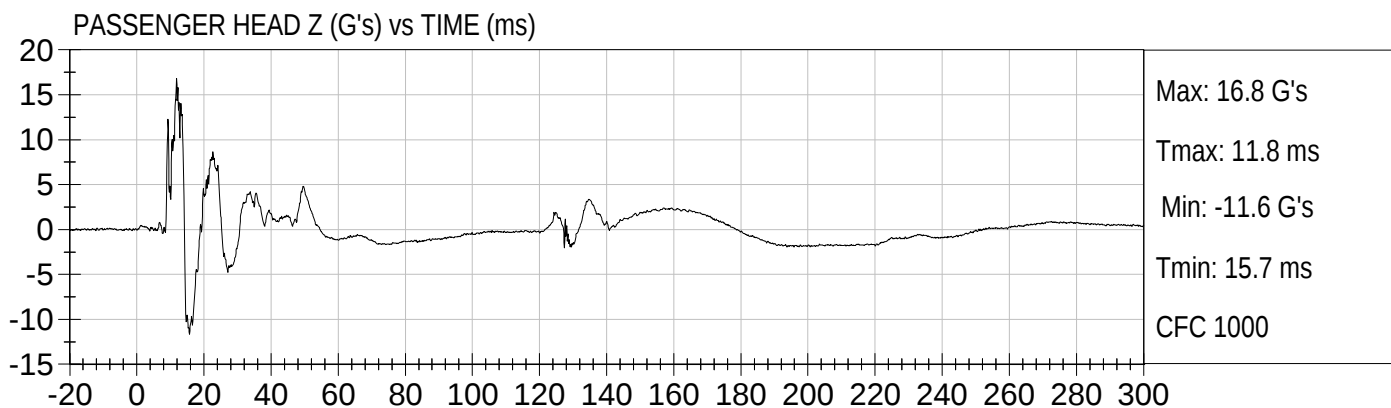
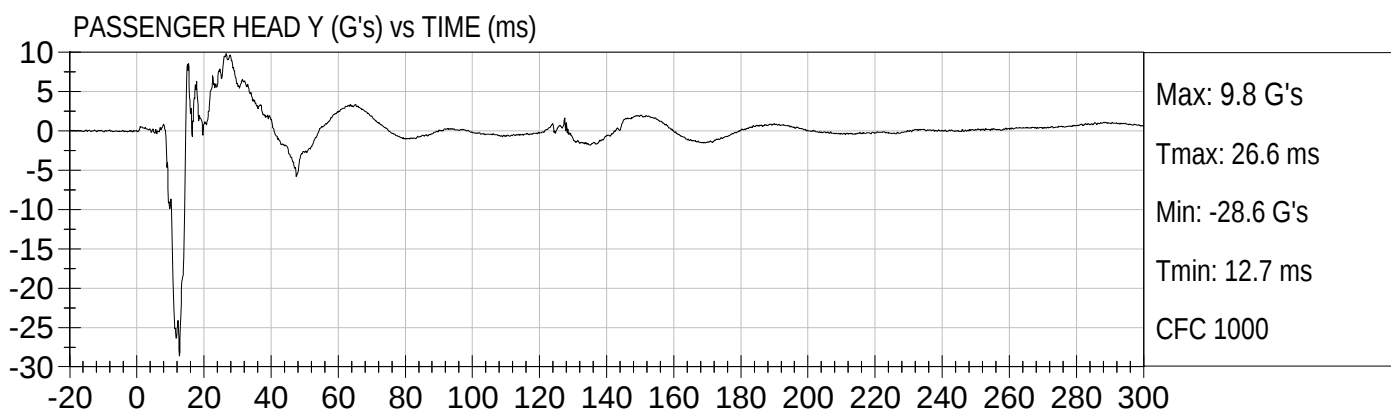
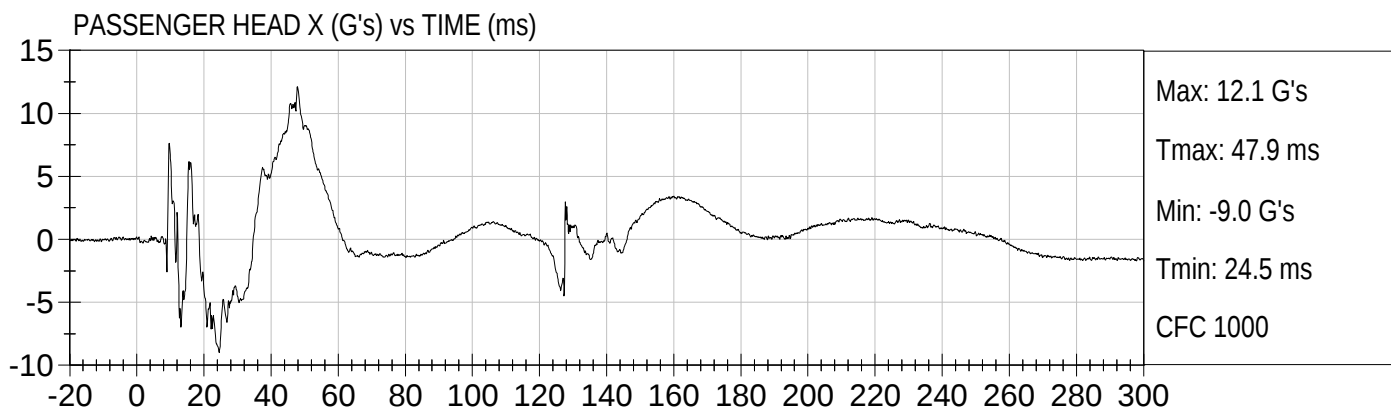
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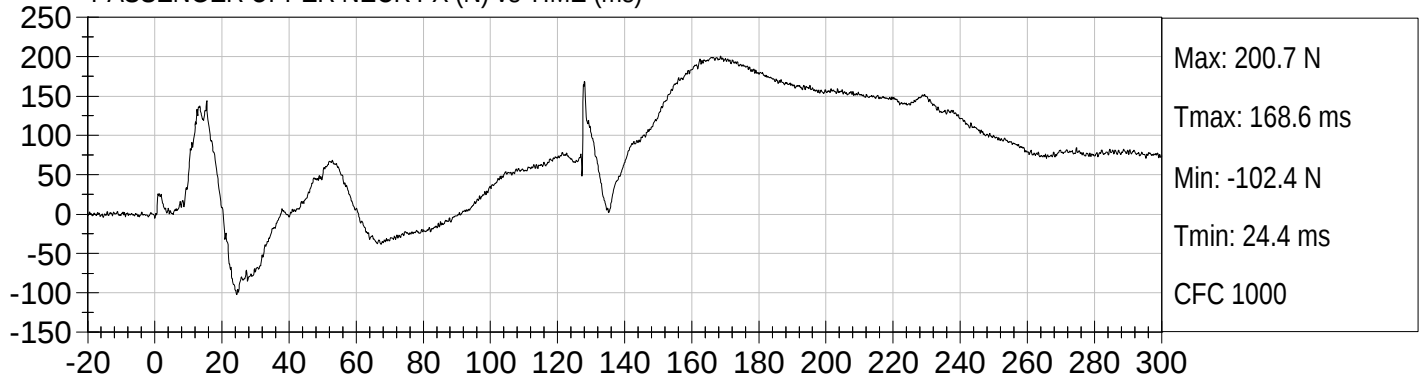
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2008 DODGE CARAVAN M80307

Test Date: 07/01/2008
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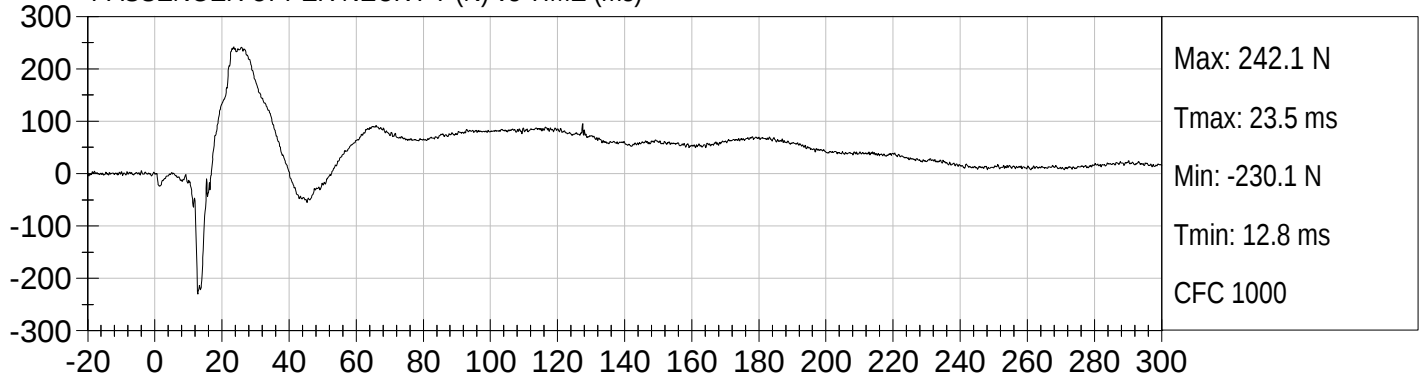




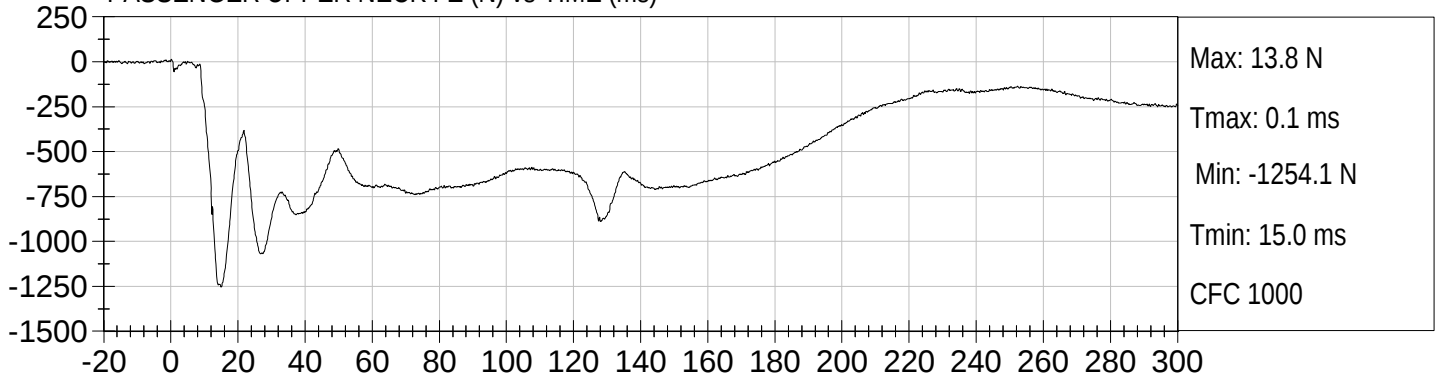
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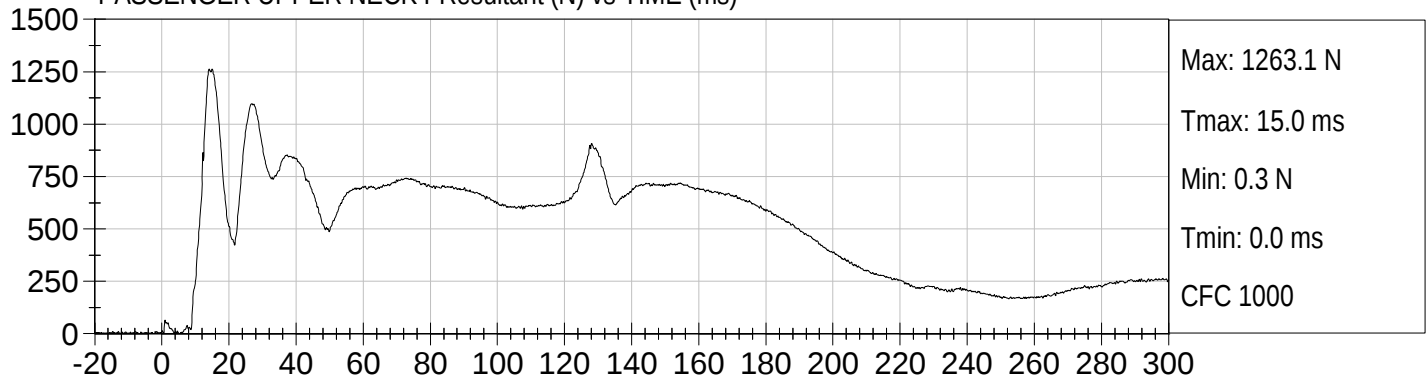
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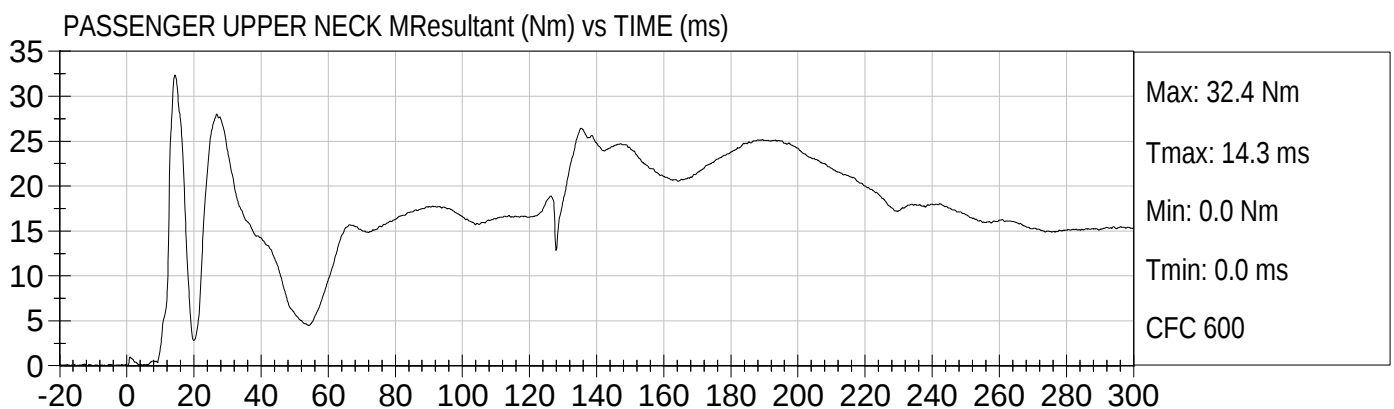
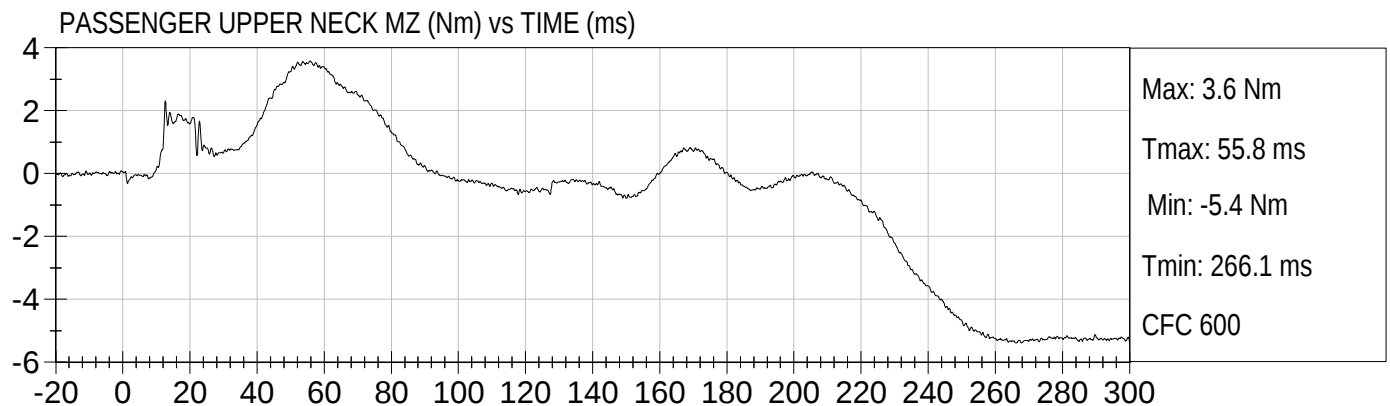
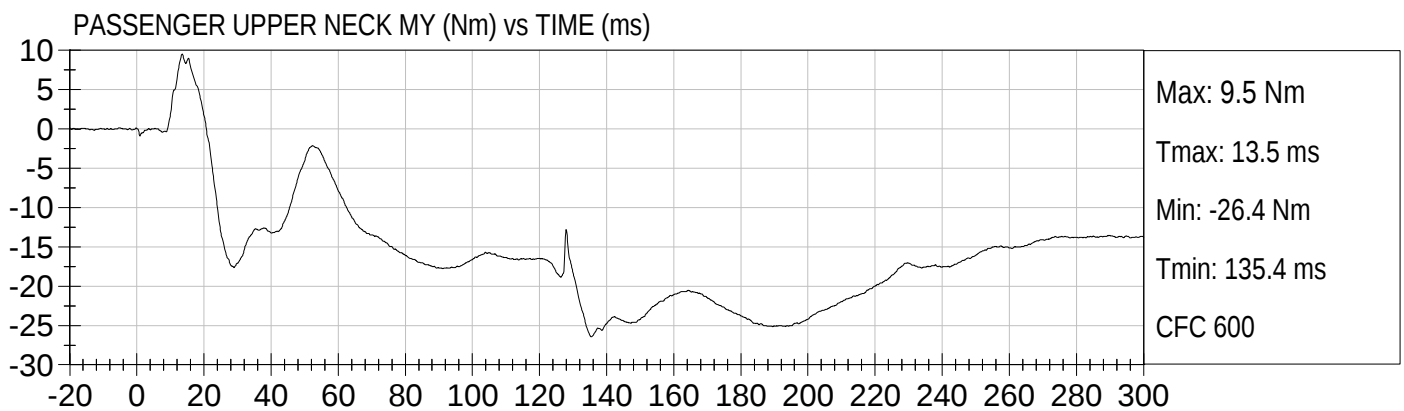
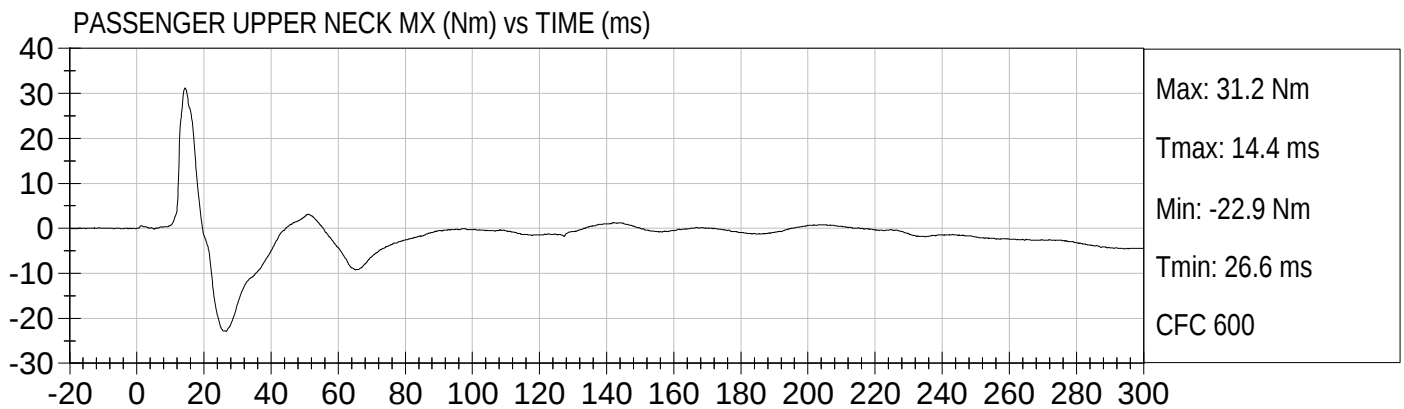


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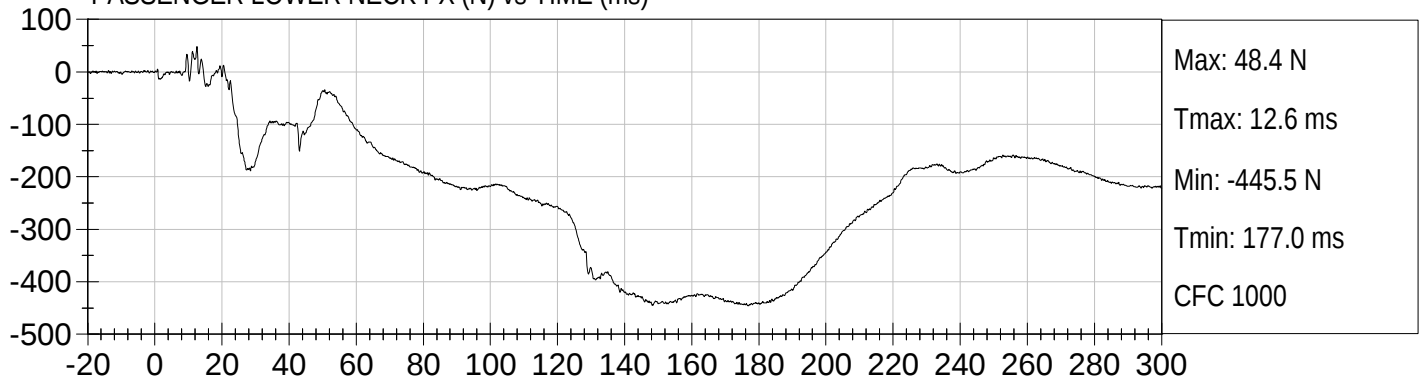
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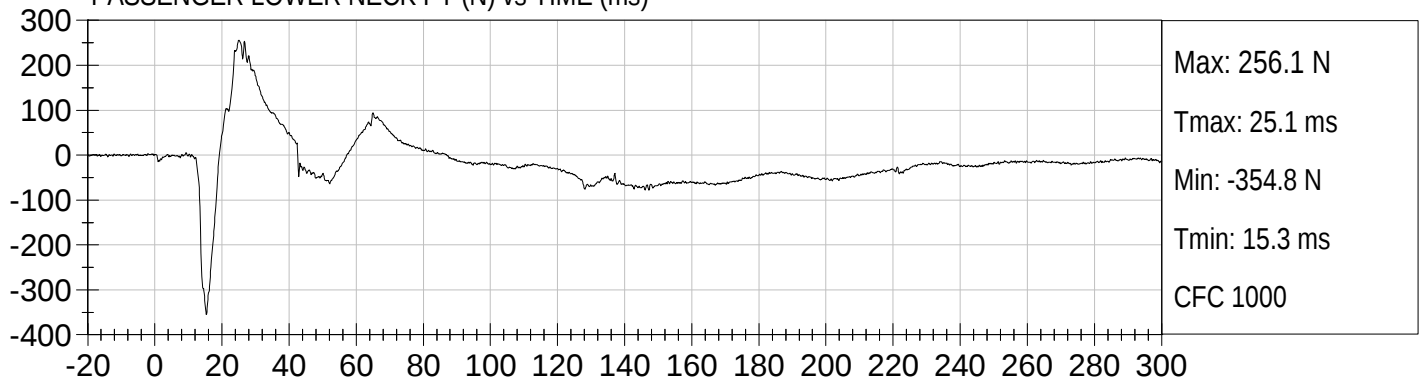




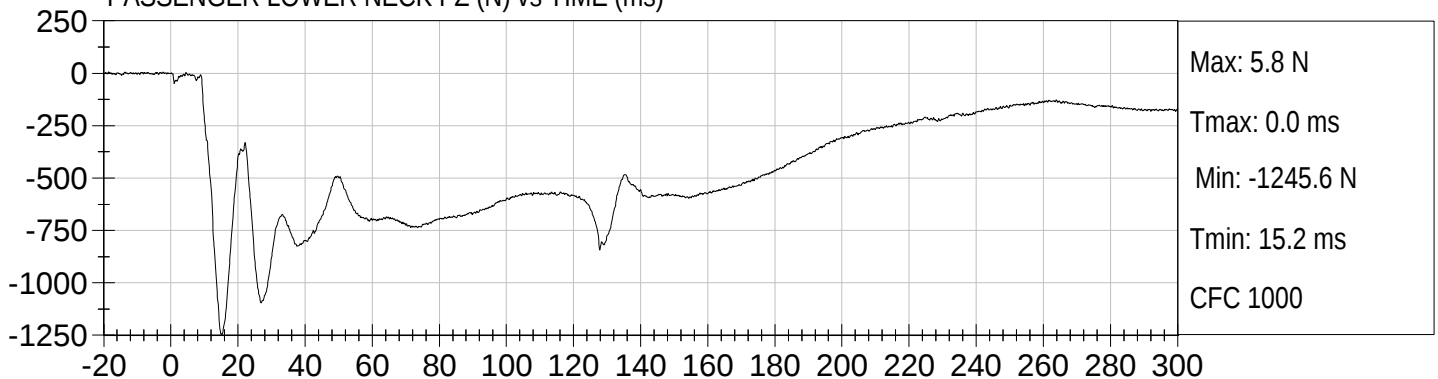
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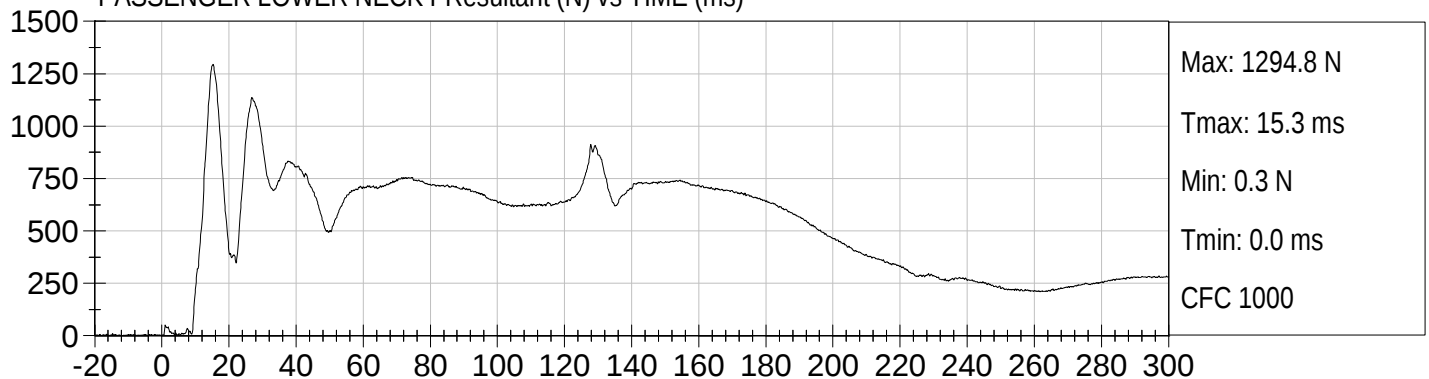
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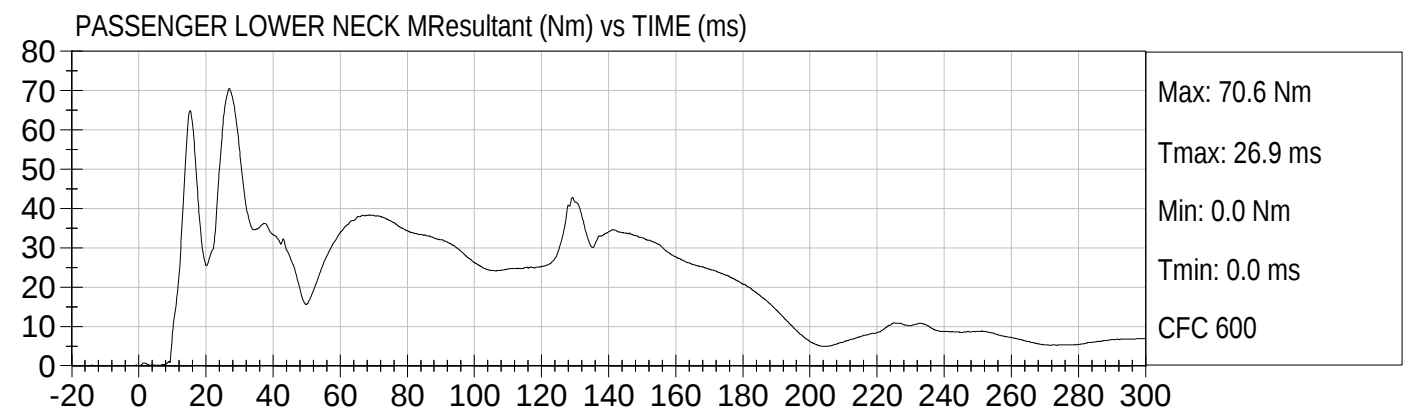
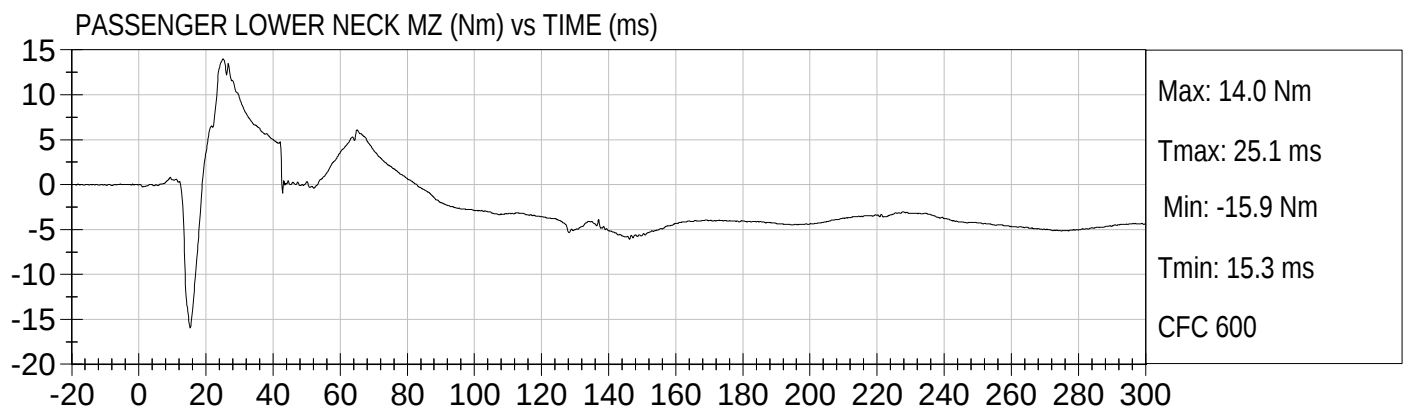
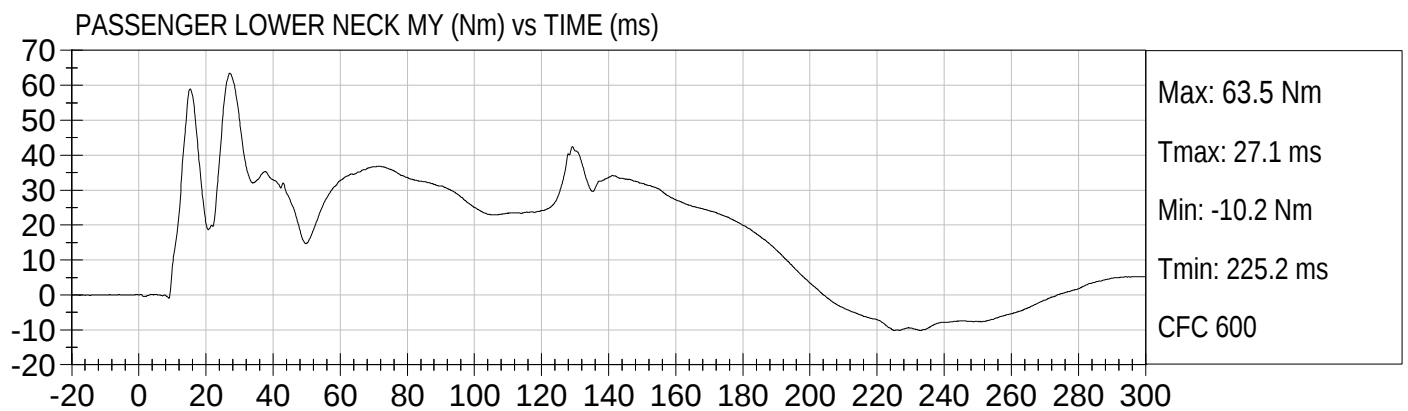
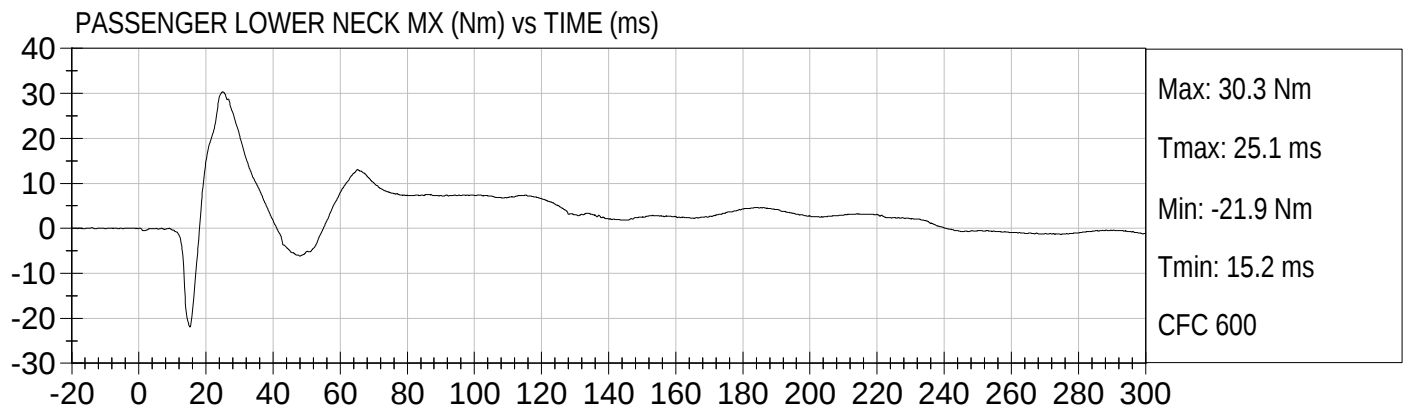


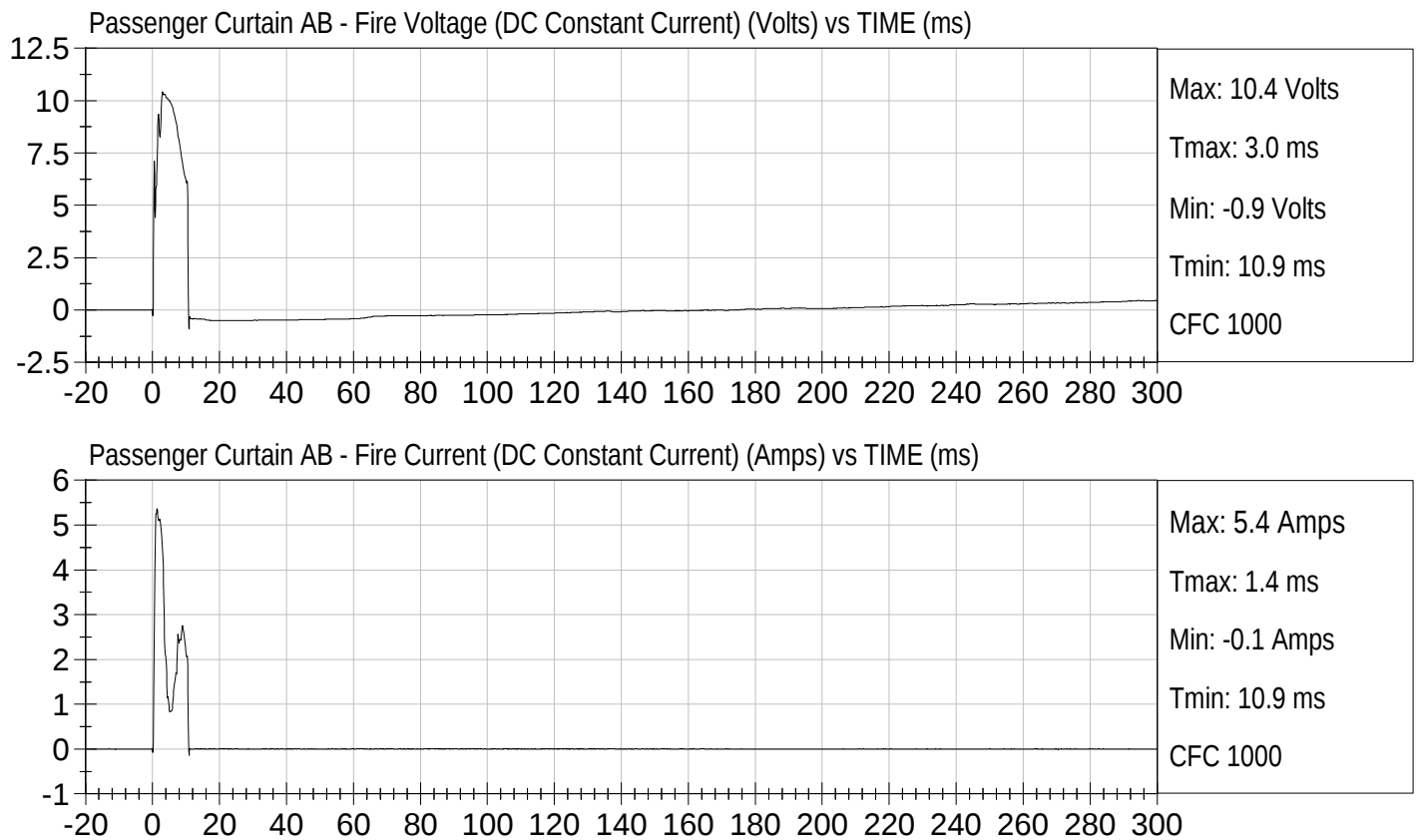
PASSENGER LOWER NECK FZ (N) vs TIME (ms)



PASSENGER LOWER NECK FResultant (N) vs TIME (ms)







APPENDIX C

INSTRUMENTATION CALIBRATION DATA

SID-IIs Build Level D – Serial Number 032

	SERIAL NO.	MANUFACTURER	CALIBRATION DATE
Head X	A12-Z15	Entran	6/19/2008
Head Y	A07-J06	Entran	6/19/2008
Head Z	J23-M06	Entran	6/19/2008
Upper Neck Load Cell	NG180	FTSS	4/17/2008
Lower Neck Load Cell	LNG101	FTSS	5/20/2008
Shoulder Load Cell	SG101	FTSS	4/17/2008
Upper Spine X	P52134	Endevco	6/18/2008
Upper Spine Y	P52145	Endevco	6/18/2008
Upper Spine Z	P49481	Endevco	6/18/2008
Lower Spine X	P52173	Endevco	6/18/2008
Lower Spine Y	P52172	Endevco	6/18/2008
Lower Spine Z	P52174	Endevco	6/18/2008
Shoulder Displacement	032SHLD	Servo	6/24/2008
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Left Mid Thorax Rib Y	P52266	Endevco	3/13/2008
Left Lower Thorax Rib Y	P52270	Endevco	3/13/2008
Right Upper Thorax Rib Y	P45253	Endevco	6/18/2008
Right Mid Thorax Rib Y	P47079	Endevco	6/18/2008
Right Lower Thorax Rib Y	P44584	Endevco	6/18/2008
Left Upper Abdominal Rib Y	J14-J19	Entran	1/25/2008
Left Lower Abdominal Rib Y	J23-M11	Entran	1/25/2008
Right Lower Abdominal Rib Y	G04-Z45	Entran	6/19/2008
Lumbar Load Cell	LG104	FTSS	5/08/2008
Left Ilium Crest Load Cell	IWG272	Denton	4/17/2008
Left Acetabulum Load Cell	ACG259	Denton	4/17/2008
Pelvis X	P59397	Endevco	6/19/2008
Pelvis Y	P59398	Endevco	6/19/2008
Pelvis Z	P59399	Endevco	6/19/2008