

## On-The-Go Sales Representative Saved by TPMS

In the fall of 2009, I was driving down the highway when my cell phone rang. Like a responsible driver, I pulled over to the side of the road to answer the call. Following the call, I went to the office for a 2-hour meeting before leaving for another scheduled customer appointment later in the day.

After the office meeting, I got in my car and quickly noticed my TPMS warning light was on. Given the timing, I shook my head and thought, "No, this can't be!" I drove around the corner and decided I should stop at a gas station immediately to check my tire pressure before getting on the highway to go to my customer appointment. Sure enough, my tire pressure was down to only 22 psi (stated placard pressure is 33 psi on my vehicle).

Since I was in a hurry to get to my appointment, I filled the tire with air then drove it to my husband's office and exchanged my vehicle with his. I drove his truck to my appointment and left my vehicle with him to further check into the repair.

Later that night, he presented me with a triangular piece of steel that had punctured my tire! Unfortunately, I must have picked it up on the side of the road when I pulled over to answer my cell phone earlier.

However, I made it to and from my appointment safely because my TPMS system was working properly, and most importantly, I acted promptly to the TPMS warning light. Had I ignored the TPMS warning light, I certainly would have been stranded on the side of the highway or worse, been involved in an accident.

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