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Re: Safe Vehicle Operation

I only just realized that the rear view mirrors on the DTS trucks have been altered. Where once we had four, now there are only three and in most vehicles only two. The only remaining mirror on the right side of the Darts are convex (fisheye "objects may be closer than they appear") and represent half the rear view mirror surface that we normally operate with.

The design of a DTS (dart) present a significant restriction to driver visibility on the right side. The four mirrors we had -offset that restriction and I believe increased safety. The removal of those mirrors must have been for an overriding concern other than safety?

I would greatly appreciate any comment you may have on this subject.

Respectfully,  
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