

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT
INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 04V-009 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: December 23, 2003 **Date E-Mailed:** January 6, 2004

MANUFACTURER: International Truck and Engine Corporation

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SUBJECT: 19 International 1993-2001 4700LP ambulances manufactured from December 2, 1993 through April 18, 2001. These ambulances are equipped with Goodrich Corporation VELVET-RIDE rear suspension systems. The bolts connecting the suspension spring to the rear axle may break and possibly cause the axle to become separated from the vehicle without warning. *International Recall No. 03517.*

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will only be written if we have additional comments or concerns.

Please provide us with a draft owner notification letter for our review before mailing to consumers.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin February 20, 2004. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by April 30, 2004.

If you have any questions, please call:

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