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TRUCK GROUP

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Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington D.C. 20590

04V-414
(3 pages)

Subject: Vehicle Safety Defect Initial Information Report

Pursuant to Part 573.6 (c) (1), this Vehicle Non-Compliance Defect Initial Information Report is submitted to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration by International Truck and Engine Corporation.

(1) IDENTIFICATION OF VEHICLES [Part 573.6 (c)(2)]

- Vehicle Models Involved:
 - 4300 and 4400 Series Models
- Vehicle Manufacturing Dates:
 - 5/24/2004 thru 7/26/2004
- Other Identification Necessary to Describe Vehicles:
 - That are considered 'Complete Vehicles' or manufactured with a 5th wheel

(2) COMPONENT MANUFACTURER [Part 573.6 (c)(2)(iv)]

- This report does not relate to a component supplied by a manufacturer other than International Truck and Engine Corporation.

(3) VEHICLE POPULATION INVOLVED [Part 573.6 (c)(3)]

Model	U.S. Quantity	Canadian Quantity
4300 4X2	14	0
4400 4X2	188	3
Totals	202	3

(4) PERCENTAGE OF VEHICLES ESTIMATED TO CONTAIN DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(4)]

- 100%

- (5) **DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT** [Part 573.6 (c)(5)]
- The label was not printed and therefore not applied as required by 49CFR 567 S4-5 and 49CFR 571.120.
- (6) **CHRONOLOGY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS WHICH LED TO DETERMINATION OF A SAFETY DEFECT or TEST RESULTS THAT LED TO DETERMINATION OF NONCOMPLIANCE** [Part 573.6 (c)(6)/(7)]
- 7/23/2004 International's Springfield, Ohio Assembly Plant performs a vehicle audit and notices required label not installed on a 'complete vehicle'. The plant then quarantines suspect vehicles they have at the facility.
 - 7/26/2004 International started building vehicles with correct labels.
 - 7/30/2004 International adds labels to quarantined vehicles.
 - 8/13/2004 International conducts a search to determine suspect population.
 - 8/19/2004 International declares a non-compliance recall.
- (7) **PROGRAM TO REMEDY DEFECT** [Part 573.6 (c)(8)]
- Owners of all suspect vehicles will be mailed a VIN specific label and instructions for installation.
- (8) **PLAN FOR REIMBURSEMENT** [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]
- None of the vehicles in this recall fall outside the warranty period; therefore, our plan for reimbursement of pre-notification remedies, on file and dated 2/6/2003 does not apply and instructions will be included in the customer notification.
- (9) **SCHEDULE FOR RECALL NOTIFICATION** [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]
- The label distribution schedule is undetermined as of the date of this report. If labels cannot be shipped within 60 days of the date of this report, an INTERIM NOTICE will be sent to dealers and owners informing them that this Non-Compliance exists.
 - If required, the date of the INTERIM NOTICE notification will be:
 - Notify International Dealers by: October 22, 2004
 - Notify International Customers by: October, 29, 2004
- (10) **INTERNATIONAL RECALL NUMBER** [Part 573.6 (c)(11)]
- 04513 (NHTSA number not assigned yet)

The undersigned should be contacted for any additional information regarding this recall on (260) 461-1890.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. L. Van Laar".

R. L. Van Laar

Compliance Manager

INTERNATIONAL TRUCK AND ENGINE CORPORATION