



U.S. Department
of Transportation
National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

ODI RESUME

INVESTIGATION: PE01-009
SUBJECT: Rear Cot Attachment
PROMPTED BY: State of Illinois EMS
PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR: S. B. York

DATE OPENED: 03 APR-01

MANUFACTURER: Osage Industries, Inc.
MODEL(S): All Ambulances fitted with Ferno-Washington Cots and/or retention brackets
MODEL YEAR(S): 1999 to 2001
VEHICLE POPULATION: 10,000 (Est.)

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION: Cracks develop in the rear main frame beams.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	MANUFACTURER	TOTAL
COMPLAINTS:	1(*)	0	1
COLLISIONS:	0	0	0
FIRES:	0	0	0
INJURIES:	0	0	0
FATALITIES:	0	0	0

DESCRIPTION OF (*): The single complaint was from the State of Illinois. Ambulance operators in the state are currently having to retro-fit Osage ambulances with new cot tie downs due to failure of state wide inspections.

ACTION: A Preliminary Evaluation has been opened.

INVESTIGATOR: S. B. York

DIV CHF: Richard Boyd

OFC DIR: R. Boyd for K. DeMeyer

03/30/01
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3/30/01
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4/3/01
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SUMMARY: See following page.