

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

Assigned Recall No. 00V-412 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

DEC 7 2000

Part 573 Report Date: **November 30, 2000**

Manufacturer: **Ford Motor Company**

Manufacturer Contact: **Mr. L. W. Camp, Director, Automotive Safety Office**

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SUBJECT: 16,000 Ford 2001 Windstar mini vans, 2001 Lincoln Town Car, Ford Crown Victoria, and Mercury Grand Marquis model vehicles manufactured from August 8 through September 29, 2000. A restraint control module (RCM) or a side or front crash sensor may have been assembled with one or more of the screws that mount the circuit board in the housing missing. If some or all of the screws are missing, the performance of the occupant restraints could be affected. Ford Safety Recall No. 00S52/00S53/00S54.

This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

In accordance with Part 577, amended July 7, 1995, a draft owner notification letter must be submitted for review prior to mailing.

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 December 18, 2000. Since this is close to the end of the quarter, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by April 30, 2001.

If you have any questions, please call:

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