

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

Assigned Recall No. **01V-254** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Manufacturer: Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America, Inc.

**Manufacturer Contact: Kent Reeves, Manager, Product Engineering
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SUBJECT: 39,020 Mitsubishi 2001-2002 Montero sport utility vehicles manufactured from December 12, 1999 through June 20, 2001. The accumulator that is installed on the hydraulic brake booster may have been improperly manufactured, which over a period of time could result in leakage of the pressurized nitrogen gas from inside the accumulator.

This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly.

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 during October 2001. Therefore, the first quarterly report was due by December 30, 2001.
If you have any questions, please call:

Patricia Wallace, Recall Analyst on (202) 366-5232
or Jonathan White, Chief on (202) 366-5226
or by FAX (202) 366-7882
Recall Analysis Division

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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF
DEALER/OWNER NOTIFICATION DOCUMENTS
SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 577.6**

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Part 577 Report Date: September 19, 2001

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NOTIFICATION TO PURCHASERS:

We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577. Please provide us with any final documents pertaining to this recall when they become available.

If you have any questions, please call:

Kelly Schuler, Safety Defect Analyst on (202) 366-5227 or
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