

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

Assigned Recall No. **01V-262** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

AUG 16 2001

Part 573 Report Date: **August 10, 2001**

Manufacturer: **Ford Motor Company**

Manufacturer Contact: **Mr. James P. Vondale, Director, Automotive Safety Office**

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SUBJECT: 413,245 Ford 1999-2001 Windstar mini vans manufactured from April 16, 1998 through December 17, 2000. If the auxiliary air-conditioning blower motor stops turning while in the medium-low blower speed setting, there is the potential that the resistor may become hot, smoke and potentially catch fire. Ford Recall No. 01S26.

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.

We have reviewed your draft owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577.

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 August 27, 2001. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by October 30, 2001.

If you have any questions, please call:

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