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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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

Assigned Recall No. 03E-045 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: September 23, 2003

MANUFACTURER: Intercontinental Auto Parts, Inc.

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SUBJECT: 45,870 Intercontinental fuel filters manufactured between September 17, 2002, and January 20, 2003. The retention clips in the Quick Connector may malfunction under stress. If this condition occurred while attempting to start the vehicle, a no start condition would result and fuel could be pumped out onto the ground. If this condition occurred while the vehicle is in motion, the engine would stop due to inadequate fuel supply and cause loss of power steering assist.

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

NOTIFICATION TO PURCHASERS

It is our understanding that Intercontinental has notified its brand name owners and is in the process of determining additional potential customers.

If you have any questions, please call:

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