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

Assigned Recall No. 04E-066 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: September 3, 2004

MANUFACTURER: Eaton Hydraulics, Inc.

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SUBJECT: 220 Eaton Hydraulics motor manifold assemblies Model NCD 7810, REV G, P/N 02-198616, part of motor manifold assembly 100AT00002A produced between December 2002 and March 2004 and sold for use on North American Bus Industries (NABI) transit buses Model 40LFW. The lack of an orifice in the proportional valve manifold assembly leads to pressure oscillations which may ultimately lead to a degradation of power-assisted steering. Loss of power assist could result in a vehicle crash, possibly resulting in serious injury or death.

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming *only* if after review of your report and associated documents, we have additional comments or concerns.

NOTIFICATION TO PURCHASERS

We understand that NABI will notify its customers and Eaton will be conducting the repairs and will submit quarterly reports on behalf of NABI.

QUARTERLY STATUS REPORTS

As stated in Part 573.7, 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. Since notification will begin during the fourth quarter of the year 2004, October 1 through December 31, 2004, Eaton's first report will be due in this office on or before January 30, 2004.



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