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DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. **04V-041** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: January 29, 2004

DATE FAXED: February 5, 2004

MANUFACTURER: East Manufacturing Corporation

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SUBJECT: 990 East 2004 dump, platform, and van body semi-trailers manufactured from June 13, 2003 through January 20, 2004. These trailers are equipped with Sealco 508 rubber band check valves installed in the control port of 110800 spring brake control valves. The rubber compound used to mold the part could fail. The failure mode of the check valve could develop a hole allowing supply air to escape back out the control line exhausting at either the foot valve in the tractor or any tractor in-line quick release valve.

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be written **ONLY** if we have additional comments or concerns.

Please provide us with the model names of these trailers.

The Office of Defects Investigation is conducting a Preliminary Evaluation on Sealco (the supplier of the air control valve) (PE04-011).

It is our understanding that Sealco will conduct the owner notification and remedy for this recall.

If you have any questions, please call:



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