

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

Assigned Recall No. **04V-146** by the  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

**Part 573 Report Date:** March 23, 2004

**DATE FAXED:** March 25, 2004

**MANUFACTURER:** Benson International, Inc.

**MANUFACTURER CONTACT:** Mr. David Cooper  
General Service/Warranty Manager.

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**SUBJECT:** 1 Benson 2002 dump trailer manufactured June 12, 2001. This trailer is equipped with a 8-inch, five stage telescopic cylinder commonly referred to as a "Super Dump" model # S85DC-55 and S85DC-56 for use on large framed and frameless end dump trailers. With use, the packing nut on the fourth stage retaining the plunger can loosen, backing off the fourth stage. This condition, if not remedied, can continue until the packing nut backs completely off the stage. If this occurs, there is nothing to retain the fifth stage (plunger) in the assembly. When the cylinder is then extended to its maximum stroke, the fifth stage can separate from the cylinder assembly causing loss of control over the trailer, allowing the trailer to free fall, possibly causing serious injury or even death.

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

As stated in your report, Parker Hannifin (04E-017) will conduct the owner notification and remedy for this recall.

This recall was the subject of an investigation (EQ04-006) conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

If you have any questions, please call:



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