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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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

Assigned Recall No. 04V-277 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **May 13, 2004**

Date Faxed: **June 17, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **Sutphen Corporation**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **Drew Sutphen, President
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SUBJECT: **597 Sutphen 1996-2004 emergency, fire, rescue single and tandem axle chassis manufactured from January 9, 1996 through April 12, 2004, fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 121, "Air Brake Systems." The brake air lines may have been incorrectly routed.**

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

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

As stated in your report, all vehicles have been inspected and repaired as of May 15, 2004. No additional owner notification will be necessary.

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. As stated in your report, owner notification began on May 14, 2004. All vehicles have been inspected and repaired. Please provide this office with one quarterly report by July 30, 2004.

If you have any questions, please call:

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