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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. **04V-400** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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

Date Faxed: **August 24, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **INTERNATIONAL TRUCK & ENGINE CORPORATION**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **RICK VAN LAAR**

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SUBJECT: 290 INTERNATIONAL 2005 MY RE SCHOOL BUSES BUILT FROM MARCH 3 THROUGH AUGUST 5, 2004. THE HIGH-PRESSURE SUPPLY HOSE FROM THE POWER STEERING PUMP TO THE STEERING GEAR MAY CHAFE AGAINST THE POSITIVE STUD ON THE STARTER SOLENOID OR THE ENGINE ELECTRICAL HARNESS, CONTAINING THE POSITIVE CABLE FROM THE ALTERNATOR, MAY BE PINCHED BETWEEN THE ENGINE AND THE BUS BODY OR AN OPTIONAL OIL PRESSURE SWITCH MAY HAVE BEEN DAMAGED DURING MANUFACTURING, CAUSING A LEAK TO FORM. ANY OF THESE CONDITIONS LISTED MAY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTE TO A POTENTIAL FIRE IN THE ENGINE BAY, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

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 a draft owner notification letter for our review before mailing to consumers.

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, an interim notification was mailed to International's customers on August 13, 2004, and a second notification letter will be mailed to customers when a final remedy has been determined. Therefore, International's first quarterly report will not be due until after the final notification and remedy has been initiated.



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