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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. **04Y-401** by the  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **August 5, 2004**

Date Faxed/E-Mailed: **August 18, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **Freightliner LLC**

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**SUBJECT: 1,600 Freightliner 2000-2004 Condor and Sterling Condor built by American LaFrance and manufactured from May 2000 through May 20, 2004. The bolts that attach the steering gear to the chassis mounting bracket may become loose. Freightliner Recall No. FL-430.**

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 573.6, 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 is expected to begin during September or October 2004. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by January 30, 2005.

If you have any questions, please call:

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