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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-425 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: August 26, 2004

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MANUFACTURER: Orion Bus Industries LTD.

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SUBJECT: On 135 Orion 2004 VII buses, the assembly of the walking beam connection to the rear suspension exhibits loose or breaking of bolts due to misaligned spacers. The bolts attaching the rear axle to the walking beam suspension can break.

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

NOTE: Please provide us with a draft owner notification letter for our review before mailing to consumers along with an owner notification schedule.

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