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REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573

Assigned Recall No. 04V-437 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **September 7, 2004**

Date Faxed/E-Mailed: **September 14, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America, Inc.,**

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SUBJECT: 16,101 Mitsubishi Fuso 1986-2004 FK415, FK417, FK455, FK457, FK617, FM555, FM557, FM617, and FM657 model trucks, manufactured from December 19, 1985 through January 12, 2004. The rebound cushion may stick to the hook hinge bracket, due to improper rubber composition of the cushion. This condition could result in the hook pin bracket remaining in the up (cab closed) position when the cab latch is unlocked. With the hook pin bracket in the up position, the cab tilt lock switch remains closed, improperly indicating that the cab latch is locked. If the cab latch is unlocked for any reason, the instrument panel cab lock indicator will not notify the driver that the cab tilt lock mechanism is in the unlocked position. A crash could occur without prior warning.

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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