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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-505** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **September 30, 2004** Date Faxed: **October 27, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **DaimlerChrysler Commercial Buses**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **Bill Soderstrom, Quality Assurance Manager**

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SUBJECT: **258 DaimlerChrysler 2000-2004 SLF and CL-100 transit buses equipped with Sure-Lok wheelchair tie-down securement assemblies. The sprocket teeth of the retractor assembly may be out of alignment causing the load pawl not to fully seat in the sprocket teeth. In the event of a vehicle crash, the wheelchair may not be adequately secured possibly resulting in injuries.**

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 beginning and ending manufacturing date for the buses involved.

As stated in your report Sure-Lok will be conducting the remedy, and quarterly reporting for this campaign. However, please be advised if Sure-Lok's campaign is not satisfactorily handled, the agency will require you to renotify owners.

If you have any questions, please call:

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