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National Highway
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Administration

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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. **04V-509** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **September 2, 2004** Date E-Mailed: **September 27, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **Orion Bus Industries, Inc.**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **Joe Labonte, Compliance and Safety Officer**

SUBJECT: **6 Orion 2000-2001 II buses manufactured from September 1, 2000 through May 31, 2001 and 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.**

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

We will need a date of when the manufacturer became aware of the recall.

As stated in your report, Sure-Lok will be conducting the owner notification, 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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