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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-520 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **October 25, 2004**

Date Faxed: **November 2, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **Starcraft Bus and Mobility Vehicles**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **Bill Dettman, Standards and Compliance**

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SUBJECT: **518 Starcraft buses manufactured from December 31, 1997 through July 31, 2004 and equipped with Sure-Lok wheelchair securement systems. The sprocket teeth of the retractor assembly is out of alignment. In the event of a vehicle crash, the wheelchair may not be adequately secured possibly resulting in injuries to a wheelchair occupant.**

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

Although Sure-Lok is conducting the recall, we need to have the names and model years of the Starcraft buses involved in this recall for our database.

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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