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Associate Administrator for Enforcement
 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
 400 Seventh Street, S.W.
 Washington D.C. 20590

Subject: Vehicle Safety Defect Initial Information Report

Pursuant to Part 573.6 (c) (1), this Vehicle Safety Defect Initial Information Report is submitted to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration by **International Truck and Engine Corporation**.

(1) *IDENTIFICATION OF VEHICLES [Part 573.6 (c)(2)]*

- Vehicle Models Involved:
 - MY 2006: 9400 Series Models
- Vehicle Manufacturing Dates:
 - 4/27/2005 thru 1/23/2006
- Other Identification Necessary to Describe Vehicles:
 - With Oil Sampling Valve (Feature Code:12WEE)

(2) *COMPONENT MANUFACTURER [Part 573.6 (c)(2)(iv)]*

- This report does not relate to a component supplied by a manufacturer other than International Truck and Engine Corporation.

(3) *VEHICLE POPULATION INVOLVED [Part 573.6 (c)(3)]*

<i>Model</i>	<i>U.S. Quantity</i>	<i>Canada Quantity</i>
9400i 6X4	133	4
Grand Totals	133	4

(4) *PERCENTAGE OF VEHICLES ESTIMATED TO CONTAIN DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(4)]*

- All (100%) of the vehicles in the suspect population are estimated to contain the defect.

(5) *DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(5)]*

- The hose connecting the engine block to the frame mounted oil sampling valve is routed too near the engine's turbocharger. Heat from the turbocharger may cause the hose to melt.
- If melting of the hose occurs, engine oil could be sprayed upward onto the surface of the turbocharger housing possibly causing smoke or a fire. This may lead to property damage, personal injury or death.

(6) *CHRONOLOGY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS WHICH LED TO DETERMINATION OF A SAFETY DEFECT or TEST RESULTS THAT LED TO DETERMINATION OF NONCOMPLIANCE [Part 573.6 (c)(6)/(7)]*

- 2/14/2006 International Compliance notified that 4 vehicles' hoses had melted in the field.
- 2/20/2006 International reviewed material properties of the hose and engine manufacturer data regarding the surface temperature of the turbocharger to understand why the hose is melting.
- 3/10/2006 International conducts a computer search to determine the extent of the suspect population.
- 3/16/2006 International declares a safety recall.

(7) *PROGRAM TO REMEDY DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(8)]*

- All suspect vehicles' hoses will be replaced with a hose that has higher thermal resistance and a Kevlar reflective heat wrap will be installed over the new hose.

(8) *PLAN FOR REIMBURSEMENT [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]*

- None of the vehicles in this recall fall outside the warranty period; therefore, our plan for reimbursement of pre-notification remedies, on file and dated 2/6/2003 does not apply and instructions will not be included in the customer notification.

(9) *SCHEDULE FOR RECALL NOTIFICATION [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]*

- Notify International Dealers by: April 14, 2006
- Notify International Customers by: April 21, 2006

(10) INTERNATIONAL RECALL NUMBER [Part 573.6 (e)(11)]

- 06502 (NHTSA number not assigned yet)

The undersigned should be contacted for any additional information regarding this recall on (260) 461-1890.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. L. Van Laar".

R. L. Van Laar

Compliance Manager

INTERNATIONAL TRUCK AND ENGINE CORPORATION