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TRUCK GROUP

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

Subject: Vehicle Noncompliance Initial Information Report

Pursuant to Part 573.6 (c) (1), this Vehicle Defect Initial Information Report is submitted to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration by **International Truck and Engine Corporation**. Please reference **06E-051**.

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

- Vehicle Models Involved:
 - MY 2007: 4400, 7400, 7500, 7600, 7700
- Vehicle Manufacturing Dates:
 - 4/6/2006 thru 6/9/2006
- Other Identification Necessary to Describe Vehicles:
 - 6x4 or 6x6 Trucks with air brakes, or
 - Tractors with air brakes and feature code 04WDT -*SPRING BRAKE MODULATOR VALVE With Relay Function*

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

- This report does relate to a component supplied by a manufacturer other than International Truck and Engine Corporation.
- Contact information is as follows:
 - Anthony LaPlaca
 - Vice President and General Counsel
 - Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC
 - 901 Cleveland Street
 - Elyria, OH 44035
 - (440) 329-9179

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

<i>Model</i>	<i>U.S. Quantity</i>	<i>Canada Quantity</i>	<i>Mexico Quantity</i>	<i>Export Quantity</i>
4400 6X2	0	0	179	0
4400 6X4	0	0	83	7
7400 6X4	562	91	77	17
7400 6X6	31	1	0	165
7500 6X4	234	70	0	0
7500 6X6	4	0	0	0
7600 6X4	552	69	106	85
7700 6X4	18	0	0	0
Grand Totals	1,401	231	445	274

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

- About sixty-five percent (65%) of the vehicles in the suspect population are estimated to contain the defect.

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

- Bendix reports that, "The check valve inside the valve cavity [of the Bendix SR-7 spring brake modulator valve] may not properly seat, causing internal air leakage.... The resulting leakage can cause a delay in the application of the spring brakes to park the vehicle after the operator pulls the dash valve button."
- This delay can occur without warning and possibly contribute to a vehicle roll away. A roll away may result in a vehicle crash, that can cause 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)]*

- 6/6/2006 International received notification from Bendix that they have declared a safety recall on their SR-7 spring break modulator valves.
- 6/9/2006 All suspect units quarantined at the plant and repaired.
- 6/13/2006 International conducted a computer search to determine the suspect population.
- 6/15/2006 International declares a safety recall.

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

- All suspect vehicles will undergo an inspection to determine if they were manufactured with a suspect SR-7 valve.

- If a suspect valve is found, it will be replaced.

(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 2/6/2005 does not apply and instructions will not be included in the customer notification.

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

- Part availability is undetermined as of the date of this report. If parts do not become available within 60 days of the date of this report, dealers and customers will receive and Interim Notice according to the following schedule:
 - Notify International Dealers by: August 11, 2006
 - Notify International Customers by: August 18, 2006

(10) *INTERNATIONAL RECALL NUMBER [Part 573.6 (c)(11)]*

- 06506 (NHTSA number not assigned yet)

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

Very truly yours,



R. L. Van Laar

Compliance Manager

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