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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 Defect 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**.

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

- Vehicle Models Involved:
  - MY 2007 and 2008: 7600, 8600, 9000, and ProStar models
- Vehicle Manufacturing Dates:
  - 12/1/2006 thru 2/21/2007
- Other Identification Necessary to Describe Vehicles:
  - With Davco® Fuel Pro® 382 heated fuel filters (International Truck feature codes: 015LGS, 015LKB, 015LHR, 015LGT, 015LKK OR 015LHX)

*(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:
  - Mark Bara
  - President
  - Davco Technology, LLC
  - 1600 Woodland Drive
  - Saline, MI 48176
  - (734) 429-5665

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

<i>Model</i>	<i>US QTY</i>	<i>CANADA QTY</i>
7600 6X4	2	3
8600 4X2	6	0
8600 6X4	1	0
9200I4X2	285	2
9200I6X4	60	0
9400I6X4	319	0
9900I6X4	4	0
9900IX	1	0
PRO L6X4	2	1
PRO P6X4	20	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>8</b>

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

- Approximately 75% of the vehicles in the suspect population are estimated to contain the defect.

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

- When the key is in the 'ON' position, the pre-heater, located in the fuel filter base, is energized. If this pre-heater is energized while maintenance is being performed on the fuel filter, diesel fuel could ignite within the filter housing.
- A fire within the fuel filter housing may spread possibly resulting in property damage or personal injury.

(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)]*

- 2/20/2007 International receives notification from Davco that a defect exists in the pre-heater of their Fuel Pro 382 fuel filter.
- 3/8/2007 Davco and International met to review test conditions that could result in a fire within the filter housing.
- 3/14/2007 Davco provided suspect date range and lot numbers of filters and pre-heaters that were supplied to International.
- 4/16/2007 International conducts a computer search to determine the suspect population.
- 4/19/2007 International declares safety recall.

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

- All suspect vehicles' fuel filters and fuel heaters will be inspected to determine if the fuel heater requires replacement.

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

- All vehicles fall within the warranty period; therefore, our plan for reimbursement of pre-notification remedies, on file and dated 01/07/2007, 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: June 1, 2007
- Notify International Customers by: June 7, 2007

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

- 07506 (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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