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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 models
- Vehicle Manufacturing Dates:
 - 5/10/2006 thru 9/6/2007
- Other Identification Necessary to Describe Vehicles:
 - With feature codes 13TSH or 13TSJ, a split shaft style PTO (power take off).

(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>US QTY</i>
7600 6x4	130
<i>Grand Total</i>	<i>130</i>

(4) PERCENTAGE OF VEHICLES ESTIMATED TO CONTAIN THE 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 bolts that attach the drive shaft flanges to the split shaft PTO may loosen and allow the drive shafts to separate from the vehicle.

- Driveshaft separation may happen without warning and possibly get into the path of other vehicles on the highway, causing 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)]*
- 10/10/2007 International Compliance notified by manufacturing plant that bolts on driveline PTO split shafts may have been improperly torqued.
 - 10/11/2007 International representatives met to determine severity and likelihood of occurrence of the joint separation. It was determined that both the fastener type and low torque could contribute to possible separation.
 - 10/12/2007 Conducted a computer search to determine the extent of the suspect population.
 - 10/18/2007 International declares a safety recall.
- (7) *PROGRAM TO REMEDY DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(8)]*
- All suspect vehicles' split shaft PTO flange mounting bolts will be replaced and properly torqued.
- (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)]*
- Part availability is undetermined as of the date of this report. If parts do not become available within 60 days from the date of this report an Interim Notice will be mailed according to the following schedule;
 - Notify International Dealers by: December 14, 2007
 - Notify International Customers by: December 21, 2007
- (10) *INTERNATIONAL RECALL NUMBER [Part 573.6 (c)(11)]*
- 07515 (NHTSA number not assigned yet)

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

Very truly yours,



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Compliance Manager

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