

VEHICLE RECALL

G-02503 April 2002

SUBJECT: VEHICLE RECALL (U.S., EXPORT)

Starter Solenoid Adapter Stud for the Positive

Battery Cable Connection on 4200, 4300 and 4400

Models Built From 12/17/2001 through 1/03/2002

With Starter Codes 08WWN or 08WWP.

DEFECT DESCRIPTION

These starters have a defective terminal adapter stud. The adapter stud is used only at the positive battery connection to the starter solenoid. It was designed to be screwed on over the existing stud to increase the stud diameter to accommodate the larger size of the positive battery cable terminal. The adapter stud was weakened when the hole was drilled too deep. The hole was drilled completely through the depth of the nut section and into the stud diameter thus reducing the stud strength.

RISK TO MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY

On vehicles, there is commonly no circuit protection in the battery cable from the batteries to the starter. The integrity of the adapter stud is questionable and the concern is that it will fail at some point in the future and lead to a direct electrical short to the batteries. If the stud breaks off, the positive battery cable could short directly to ground. A direct short to the batteries can generate heat and sparks which could cause a fire, or lead b a vehicular accident, possibly resulting in property damage, personal injury or death.

DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLES INVOLVED

Only some of the 4200, 4300 and 4400 models built from 12/17/2001 through 1/3/2002 at the Springfield Assembly Plant with Leece-Neville starter codes 08WWN or 08WWP are involved.

OWNER NOTIFICATION

International Truck and Engine Corporation will notify owners of these vehicles about this campaign. A copy of the owner letter is attached. During the recall process, a listing of owner names and addresses will be furnished to the involved dealers to enable dealers to follow up with owners and have the vehicles corrected. You must limit the use of this listing to this campaign, because the list may contain information

obtained from state motor vehicle registration records and the use of such motor vehicle registration data for purposes other than this campaign is a violation of law in several states.

SERVICE PROCEDURE

DESCRIPTION: The positive adapter stud on the starter solenoid must be replaced on all vehicles in this recall. There is no inspection option.

Before performing the service, please read and understand the following instructions completely.

<u>WARNING:</u> To prevent serious eye injury, always wear safe eye protection when you perform vehicle maintenance or service.

- 1. <u>WARNING:</u> Block the wheels to prevent the vehicle from moving. If a vehicle moves unexpectedly or suddenly, the result could be serious personal injury or death.
- 2. <u>WARNING:</u> If the vehicle must be raised, do not work under a vehicle supported only by jacks. Jacks can slip or fall over potentially resulting in serious personal injury or death.
- 3. Shut off the engine and apply the parking brake.
- 4. Disconnect the batteries.
- 5. Remove the nut on the positive terminal of the starter solenoid and remove all wire/cable terminals from the stud.
- 6. Remove the adapter stud from the starter solenoid stud.
- 7. Install the new adapter stud and torque to 14 **Lbf-Ft** (19 NM).
- 8. Reinstall all wire/cable terminals over the new adapter stud making sure no terminals, wires or cables are contacting any potential ground surfaces.
- 9. Install the stud nut and torque to 15 **Lbf-Ft** (20 NM).
- 10. Reconnect the batteries.
- 11. Destroy and discard the removed stud locally.

PART INFORMATION

We have attached a VIN list at the end of this letter so dealers can look for their account number and see if they have VINS involved. Before ordering parts, reference the attached VIN list then order one adapter stud for each vehicle that you will be repairing in this campaign **(2508990C1)**. The attached VIN list is complete, it contains all vehicles marked for this campaign in the US or Canada.

RETURNING PARTS: DO NOT return parts.

Be sure to destroy all removed parts locally.

LABOR INFORMATION

NOTE: There is only one labor operation required for this recall. All vehicles must be inspected to see if the cotter pin was installed.

| Operation No. | Description | Time | |
|---------------|--------------------|----------|--|
| A40-02503-1 | R & R Adapter Stud | 0.5 Hrs. | |

CAMPAIGN IDENTIFICATION LABEL

Each vehicle corrected in accordance with this campaign **MUST BE** marked with a CTS-1075 campaign Identification Label.

Complete the label and attach on a clean surface next to the vehicle identification number (VIN) plate.



<u>ADMINISTRATIVE/DEALER RESPONSIBILITIES (U.S. & POSSESSIONS)</u>

Proceed immediately to make necessary correction to units in inventory. All inventory vehicles subject to this recall campaign must be corrected prior to sale, transfer or delivery. If vehicles have been sold or transferred and you are in receipt of Customer Notification Letters and Authorization for Recall Service cards for those vehicles, the transfer location or the customer must be notified IMMEDIATELY from your dealer location.

Dealers must correct all vehicles subject to this campaign at no charge to the owner, regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership, from this time forward.

The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, as amended, provides that each vehicle that is subject to a vehicle recall campaign must be adequately **repaired** within a reasonable time after the owner has tendered it for repair. A failure to adequately repair within **60 days** after a tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time. If the condition is not adequately repaired within 60 days, the owner may be entitled to **replacement** with an identical or reasonable equivalent vehicle at no charge, or to a **refund** of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation.

However, consistent with the customer notification, dealers are expected to complete the repairs on the mutually agreed upon service date.

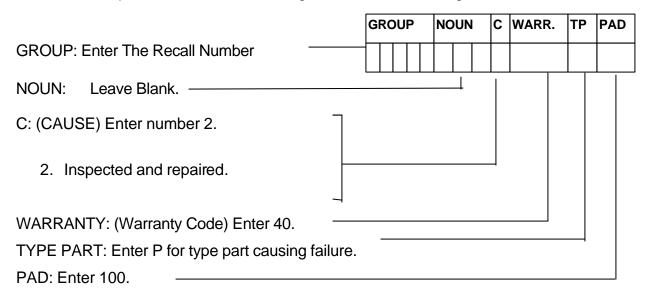
To avoid having to replace a vehicle or refund the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each owner to repair his or her vehicle as soon as possible.

WARRANTY CLAIMS

Special Note: All claims for this campaign must be submitted as "Inspected and Repaired" with a disposition of 2 (cause number of 2 below). There is no inspection option because all vehicles must have the starter adapter stud replaced.

Refer to Dealer Warranty Manual for procedures to conduct Recall Campaigns.

It is important that the Recall Coding be completed properly to assist in processing the warranty claim. Complete instructions will be found in the Warranty Manual, Section 7-1. Special attention should be given to Items 39 through 44:



ADMINISTRATIVE/DISTRIBUTOR RESPONSIBILITY (EXPORT)

Proceed immediately to make necessary correction to units in inventory. All inventory vehicles subject to this recall campaign must be corrected prior to sale, transfer or delivery. If vehicles have been sold or transferred and you are in receipt of Customer Notification Letters and Authorization for Recall Service cards for those vehicles, the transfer location or the customer must be notified from your distributor location.

Export locations are to submit warranty claims in the usual manner making reference to this recall number.

We ask for your full cooperation and follow-up to this important subject matter. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact your Regional Service Manager.

INTERNATIONAL TRUCK AND ENGINE CORPORATION

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