

## INTERNATIONAL TRUCK AND ENGINE CORPORATION

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TRUCK GROUP

**SAFETY RECALL 01502** 

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Dear International Customer:

This Safety Recall is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. International has determined that a defect related to motor vehicle safety exists in the air brake automatic brake adjuster anchor brackets on your vehicle. The anchor brackets must be replaced on all 8100, 9100, 9100i, 9200, 9200i, 9300, 9400, 9400i, and 9900i models built from 10/7/96 through 11/14/00 with Eaton / Spicer automatic brake adjusters, long stroke brake chambers, and Eaton / Spicer brakes. If you are not the owner, we need your help finding the current owner; please read paragraph number 4 on the next page under "ACTIONS YOU SHOULD TAKE."

## **REASON FOR THIS RECALL**

**DEFECT DESCRIPTION:** The automatic brake adjuster anchor brackets may fail and completely separate, causing the automatic brake adjusters to function as manual brake adjusters. If the anchor bracket for an automatic brake adjuster fails, the brakes at that wheel end will not automatically adjust. As the brake linings wear on a wheel end without brake adjustment, **the vehicle could have reduced braking capacity and <u>the vehicle could be involved in an accident resulting in property damage, personal injury, or death.</u>** 

## **ACTIONS YOU SHOULD TAKE**

- 1. Our records show that you are the owner of the vehicle identified on the enclosed card. If you are not the owner, please read paragraph number 4 on the next page.
- **2. Please contact your local International dealer**, with your recall card in hand, to schedule an appointment to have the anchor brackets replaced on your vehicle. This procedure will be performed without charge to you and will require approximately **1** hour.
- 3. If the vehicle will not or cannot be corrected, please mark on the enclosed card under "CHECK ONE", the box which best describes why the vehicle will not be repaired, and return the postage-prepaid card to us.

4. In the event you do not own the vehicle described on the card, please complete the card, fill in the new customer name and address if known, and return it to us. This information will allow us to update our records so we can contact the new owner and you will not be contacted again regarding this recall.

## IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE

If you take your vehicle to your International dealer on a mutually agreed upon service date, and the dealer does not remedy this condition without charge on that date or within five days, you can obtain assistance by following the procedure described in the Owner Assistance Guide section in your Owner's Manual, or by calling toll free 1-800-448-7825.

You may also wish to submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20590, or call the Administration toll-free Auto Safety Hot-Line at 1-888-327-4236 if your International dealer fails to repair or is unable to remedy this condition without charge or within a reasonable time.

We urge your prompt attention to the correction of this Safety Recall and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

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