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Navistar First OEM to Offer "Black Box" Data Recorder on Emergency Vehicles

International DuraStar and WorkStar Emergency Vehicles Offer Data Recorder Fully Compliant with National Fire Protection Association Standards

WARRENVILLE, IL. (August 20, 2009) – As part of its commitment in meeting the highest fire truck standards in the industry, International® DuraStar® and WorkStar® fire trucks and emergency vehicles now offer the first factory-installed vehicle data recorder fully-compliant with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards.

“The addition of the data recorder to our line-up of emergency vehicles provides local fire departments with a vital driver training tool,” said Jim Hebe, Navistar senior vice president, North American sales operations. “As the only commercial chassis manufacturer to offer this critical option, we’re able to provide customers with key information on vehicle operation, driver behavior and equipment usage — important information that could help with new and enhanced training processes for fire departments across the country.”

International brand emergency vehicles are now available with a completely NFPA-compliant data recorder/seat display option, which provides critical vehicle information such as lateral accelerations, anti-lock braking system (ABS) events, safety belt positioning and vehicle speeds.

In addition, an accommodation package is available which includes all required sensors, wiring harnesses and in-dash connection to allow for the installation of alternative data recording hardware. In either case, local fire departments have the option to choose which data recording system best fits their specific training needs.

“With so much on the line for the paramedics and firefighters who protect us every day, it’s critical that our vehicles have the latest advancements in safety technology for these life-saving occupations,” added Hebe.

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