

**SAFETY COMPLIANCE TESTING FOR
FMVSS NO. 120
TIRE SELECTION AND RIMS
FOR MOTOR VEHICLES OTHER THAN PASSENGER CARS**

**Collins Bus Corporation
2004 Super Bantam School Bus
NHTSA No.: C40901**

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16. Abstract A test was conducted on a 2004 Collins Super Bantam School Bus, NHTSA No. C40901, in accordance with FMVSS 120, "Tire selection and rims for motor vehicles other than passenger cars," and TP-120-03. The vehicle was weighed in the unloaded and fully loaded conditions and its tires, rims, and related information were checked. Test failures were as follows: None					
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SECTION 1
PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST

The purpose of this test report is to document the results of tests performed on a MY2004 Collins Bus Corporation Super Bantam School Bus, NHTSA No.: C40901, in accordance with the requirements stated in Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 120, "Tire Selection and Rims for Motor Vehicles other than Passenger Cars."

This standard establishes requirements to ensure that applicable vehicles are equipped with tires of adequate size and load rating and rims of appropriate size and type designation.

SECTION 2
TEST PROCEDURE AND DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

Testing of the 2004 Collins Bus Corporation Super Bantam School Bus conducted at MGA Research Corporation – Wisconsin Operations in accordance with NHTSA TP-120-03, dated April 10, 2000 and MGA-TP-120-03 dated November 20, 2002. The vehicle mounted tires and rims were surveyed to ensure that the rims were suitable for the tires and that the tires inflated to the maximum inflation pressure stated on the tire sidewall were appropriate for the vehicle's certified Gross Axle Weight Ratings (GAWR). The vehicle certification and tire information labeling was surveyed to ensure that the vehicle manufacturer's recommended rims were suitable for the recommended tires, and that the recommended tires inflated to the recommended inflation pressures stated on the labeling were appropriate for the vehicle's certified GAWRs. The vehicle was ballasted and weighed in three different loading conditions to determine if axle or tire overloading could occur. The three loading conditions were:

Condition 1 – Unloaded Vehicle Weight (UVW).

Condition 2 – Vehicle in Condition 1 state plus the addition of ballast to simulate Nineteen passengers (one adult driver and eighteen students).

Condition 3 – Vehicle in Condition 2 state plus the addition of ballast to simulate cargo loading. Target vehicle load is the certified gross weight rating (GVWR).

The vehicle mounted tires inflated to the inflation pressure labeled on the tire sidewall have a load rating appropriate to carry the maximum loads as required by FMVSS No. 120. The vehicle rims are suitable for the vehicle tires and contain the required markings.

SECTION 2...continued
TEST PROCEDURE AND DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

Test Lab: MGA Research-Wisconsin Operations **Contract No:** DTNH22-02-D-01057

Vehicle Make/Model: Collins /Super Bentam **MY:** 2005

NHTSA No.: C40901 **VIN:** 1GBHG31U541148487 **Vehicle Type:** School Bus

Incomplete Veh. Make/Model: General Motors

Designated Seating Capacity: 19, (1 driver, 18 passengers)

Dealer Installed Optional Accessories: None Noted

Summary

Requirements	PASS/FAIL
TIRE AND RIM SELECTION (S5.1) Installed tires and rims are suitable for vehicle	PASS
Rim Marking (S5.2) Rims contain all required markings of proper dimensions	PASS
LABEL INFORMATION (S5.3) Vehicle has proper certification/tire information label. Label tires at recommended inflation pressure and rims are suitable for vehicle.	PASS
Weight Distribution (49 CFR 567 Certification) Vehicle loaded with occupants and cargo does not exceed GVWR	PASS
Results: Test data indicates compliance with FMVSS 120	PASS

SECTION 3
COMPLIANCE TEST DATA

**FMVSS 120 - DATA SHEET 1
GENERAL TIRE AND RIM DATA**

Test Vehicle: 2005 Collins Corp. Super Bantam School Bus
Test Lab: MGA Research-Wisconsin Operations

NHTSA No.: C40901
Test Date: 8/3/05

GENERAL DATA

Tire Type: (Passenger car or other)	Light Truck
Are the tire and rim sizes the same for all axles, including the spare?	YES
Does the tire size fitted to the axles appear on the Certification or Tire label? (If NO, describe)	YES
Number of axles	2
Dual tires on rear axle(s)	YES

TIRE DATA FROM SIDEWALL

	RIGHT FRONT	SPARE
Manufacturer	Uniroyal	
Brand	Laredo	
Tire Size	LT225/70R16	
Maximum Tire Load Rating (KG)	1060-Single 975-Dual	
De-rated Tire Load Rating (KG)	N/A	
Maximum Inflation Pressure (KPA)	450	
Tire has DOT symbol (Yes/No)	Yes	
DOT serial number	DOT M31L JH3U 4103	

**MOUNTED TIRE VS. AXLE RATING COMPARISON
(AT SIDEWALL MAXIMUM INFLATION PRESSURE)**

	FRONT AXLE	REAR AXLE
A. GAWR (KG) from certification label	1860	3402
B. (No. of tires) x (tire load rating (KG) from above table)	2120	3900
C. Is "B" equal to or greater than "A"? (Yes/No)	Yes	Yes

**FMVSS 120 – DATA SHEET 1...continued
GENERAL TIRE AND RIM DATA**

Test Vehicle: **2005 Collins Corp. Super Bantam School Bus** NHTSA No.: **C40901**
 Test Lab: **MGA Research-Wisconsin Operations** Test Date: **6/3/05**

RIM MARKINGS

	RIGHT FRONT	SPARE
Source of published dimensions (letter designation)	T	
Rim Size	16 x 6.5	
Does rim contain DOT symbol? (Yes/No)	Yes	
Manufacturer's name, symbol or trademark (copy format)	GM	
Date of manufacture or symbol	08 20 03	
Do items A-C appear on weather side of rim? (Yes/No)	Yes	
Letter height (not less than 3mm)	Yes - 5 mm	
Lettering (impressed or embossed)	Impressed	
Are all rim markings legible? (Yes/No)	Yes	
Do all markings comply with requirements? (Yes/No)	Yes	
Rims are suitable for tires on vehicles? (Yes/No)	Yes	

RIM MEASUREMENTS

	RIGHT FRONT	SPARE
Rim width	165 mm (6.5")	
Rim diameter	406 mm (16")	
Rim measurements same as rim markings? (Yes/No)	Yes	

RESULTS	PASS/FAIL
TIRE AND RIM SELECTION (85.1) Installed tires and rims are suitable for vehicle	PASS
Rim Marking (85.2) Rims contain all required markings of proper dimensions	PASS

Remarks: **NONE**

Tested By: *JL White* Approved By: *[Signature]*
 Date: June 3, 2005

**FMVSS 120 - DATA SHEET 2
CERTIFICATION AND TIRE LABEL INFORMATION**

Test Vehicle: **2005 Collins Corp. Super Bantam School Bus** NHTSA No.: **C40901**
 Test Lab: **MGA Research-Wisconsin Operations** Test Date: **6/3/05**

LABEL INFORMATION

Label Design (Combined Certification and Tire Label):	Yes
Label Design (Separate Tire Information Label):	N/A
Label in English? (Yes/No)	Yes
Block capital letter and numbers are not less than 2.4 mm in height (yes/no):	Yes
Label is permanently affixed; describe method of affixing (rivets, glue, etc.)	glue
Does label text color contrast with background? (yes/no)	Yes
Location of Label(s) on the vehicle:	Above Driver's Door

TIRE AND RIM DATA FROM LABEL (FOR EACH GAWR/GVWR)

GVWR: 9945 KG	FRONT AXLE	REAR AXLE
Tire Size	LT225/75R16	LT225/75R16
Rim Size	16 x 6.5	16 x 6.5
Recommended inflation pressure (KPa)	414	414
Are labeled rims suitable for labeled tires (Yes/No)*	Yes	Yes
Referenced load rating at label recommended inflation pressure (KG) ¹	993	905

* Referenced source for tire/rim match and load rating data: 2005 Tire and Rim Assoc.

CERTIFICATION/TIRE LABEL MAXIMUM CAPACITY COMPARISON

GVWR: 9945 KG	FRONT AXLE	REAR AXLE
A.GAWR (kg) FROM CERTIFICATION LABEL	(C) 1860	(D) 3402
B.(No. of tires) x (Tire load rating (KG))	1986	3620
Is "B" equal or greater than "A"? (Yes/No)	Yes	Yes
Is (C) plus (D) equal to or greater than GVWR? (Yes/No)	Yes	

RESULTS	PASS/FAIL
LABEL INFORMATION (§5.3) Vehicle has proper certification/tire information label. Label tires at recommended inflation pressure and rims are suitable for vehicle.	PASS

Tested By: *JL Alb* Approved By: *[Signature]*
 Date: June 3, 2005

**FMVSS 120 - DATA SHEET 3
WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION**

Test Vehicle: **2005 Collins Corp. Super Bantam School Bus**
 Test Lab: **MGA Research-Wisconsin Operations**

NHTSA No.: **C40901**
 Test Date: **8/3/05**

Fluid Levels				
Fuel:			FULL	
Coolant:			FULL	
Other Fluids: <u>Washer fluid, brake fluid, etc.</u>			FULL	
Tire Pressures				
Tire	Left Front	Right Front	Left Rear	Right Rear
Tire Pressure (KPa)	414	414	414	414
Occupant and Cargo Loads				
Total Occupant Load (kg): [# of designated seating positions x 68 KG per adult or 54 KG per student]			1040 (1-driver, 18-students)	
Manufacturer's Rated Cargo Load (kg): [If not stated on vehicle or provided in owner's manual leave blank]			N/A	
Certified GVWR - Measured UVW - Total Occupant Load = Rated Cargo Load 4538 KG - 3400 KG - 1040 KG = 98 KG (must be positive)				
Describe Placement of Cargo:		Center of aisle Fore to Aft distribution		

Weight Distribution

ITEM	Tire or Vehicle Rating* (KG)	CONDITION 1 UVW (KG)		CONDITION 2 Cond. 1 + occupants (KG)		CONDITION 3 Cond. 2 + cargo (KG)	
		Measured	Overload	Measured	Overload	Measured	Overload
Left Front Tire	993	784	NO	828	NO	828	NO
Right Front Tire	993	768	NO	858	NO	854	NO
Front Axle	1880	1532	NO	1684	NO	1682	NO
Left Rear Tire	1810	944	NO	1414	NO	1440	NO
Right Rear Tire	1810	924	NO	1388	NO	1412	NO
Rear Axle	3402	1868	NO	2782	NO	2852	NO
Total Vehicle	4538	3400	NO	4488	NO	4534	NO

* - Vehicle and axle weight ratings (GVWR & GAWR) are located on the vehicle certification label plate. Vehicle tire load ratings are based upon the inflation pressure specified on the certification label plate for each respective axle, as determined from the appropriate tire manufacturer's specification table.

**FMVSS 120 – DATA SHEET 3...continued
WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION**

Test Vehicle: **2005 Collins Corp. Super Bantam School Bus** NHTSA No.: **C40901**
Test Lab: **MGA Research-Wisconsin Operations** Test Date: **6/3/05**

RESULTS	PASS/FAIL
Weight Distribution (49 CFR 567 Certification) Vehicle loaded with occupants and cargo does not exceed GVWR	PASS

Remarks:

Tested By: *JL White* Approved By: *[Signature]*
Date: June 3, 2005

**SECTION 4
INSTRUMENTATION AND EQUIPMENT LIST**

Test Vehicle: 2005 Collins Corp. Super Bantam School Bus NHTSA No.: C40901
Test Lab: MGA Research-Wisconsin Operations Test Date: 6/3/05

	Digital Caliper	Vehicle Scale	Tape Measure
Make	Mitutoyo	GSE	Stanley
Model	CD-6" CS	Pro-Weigh 64	Powerlock
Serial # (s)	0441288	212091/212092	SN152
Range	0-150mm	0 to 20,000 lb	0-6 m
Accuracy	.01mm	0.25% static	1 mm
Cal. Date	4/1/06	1/10/05	5/31/05
Cal. Due Date	10/1/06	6/10/05	11/31/05

SECTION 4...continued
INSTRUMENTATION AND EQUIPMENT LIST

Test Vehicle: **2005 Collins Corp. Super Bantam School Bus** NHTSA No.: **C40801**
 Test Lab: **MGA Research-Wisconsin Operations** Test Date: **6/3/05**

SCALE CALIBRATION SHEET

Calibration **INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION** *John Smith*
 Operating Under NHTSA Approval NHTSA Form 4030-108 (Rev. 10/02) Wisconsin Department of Transportation

TYPE: **SCALE** MANUFACTURER: **...** LOCATION: **...**

FUNCTIONS TO BE CALIBRATED:

WEIGHT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
VOLUME	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TEMPERATURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Test Point	As Shown			As New			Tolerance	
	Expected Value	Measured Value	Units	Expected Value	Measured Value	Units	Low Limit	High Limit
WEIGHT	1000	1000	g	1000	1000	g	±0.5%	±0.5%
WEIGHT	2000	2000	g	2000	2000	g	±0.5%	±0.5%
WEIGHT	5000	5000	g	5000	5000	g	±0.5%	±0.5%
WEIGHT	10000	10000	g	10000	10000	g	±0.5%	±0.5%
WEIGHT	20000	20000	g	20000	20000	g	±0.5%	±0.5%
WEIGHT	50000	50000	g	50000	50000	g	±0.5%	±0.5%
WEIGHT	100000	100000	g	100000	100000	g	±0.5%	±0.5%

Operator's Signature: *John Smith* Date: *6/3/05*

Manufacturer's Name: *...*

The serial number of this report is **112005060001**. This report may be used only for the vehicle and equipment listed on this form. Its reuse for any other purpose is prohibited.

Next scheduled Full Calibration is due **6/3/06** Mileage at time of calibration **10000** miles

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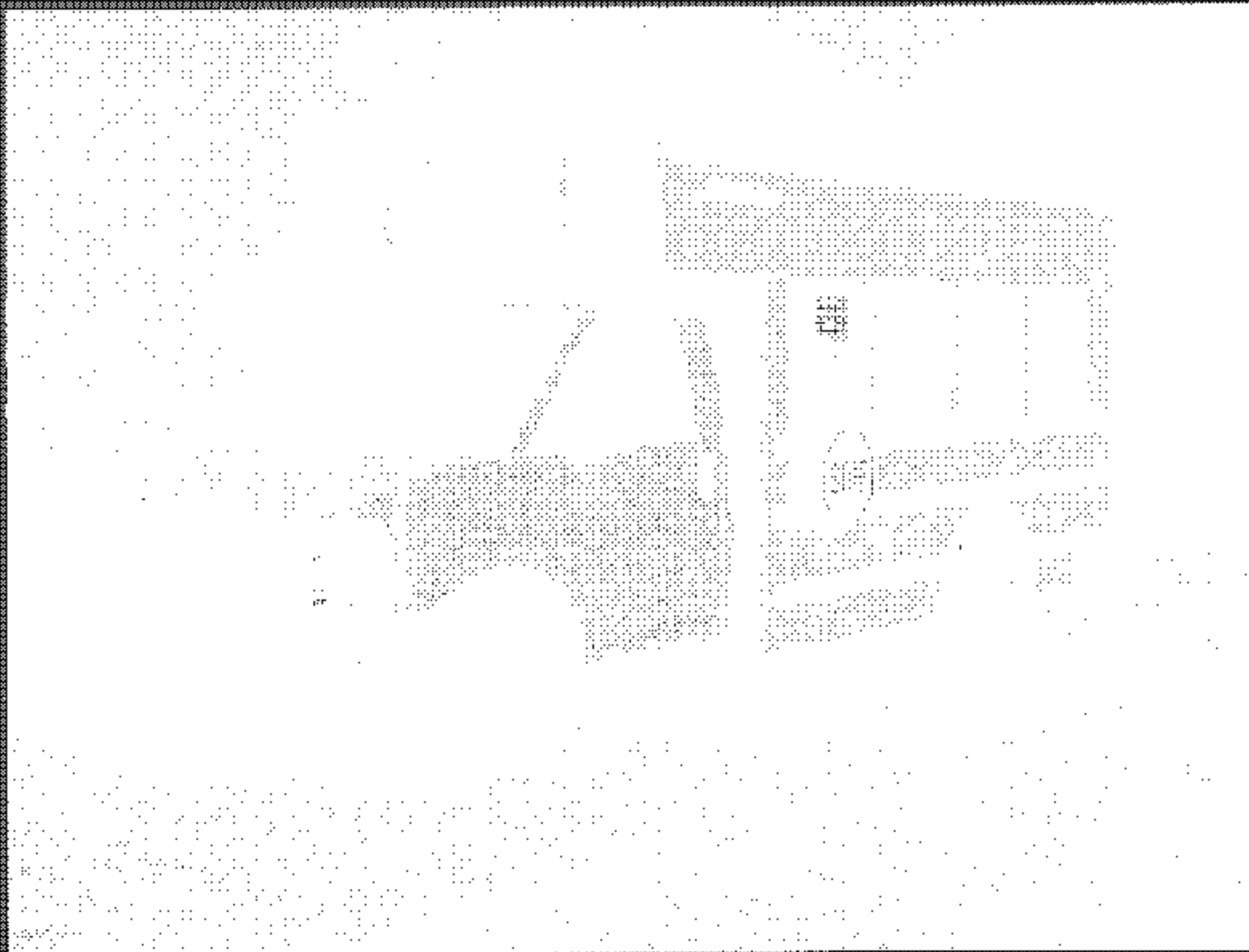
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Three-Quarter Frontal View of Left Side of Test Vehicle

Test Vehicle: 2004 Collins Super Bantam School Bus
Procedure: FMVSS 120

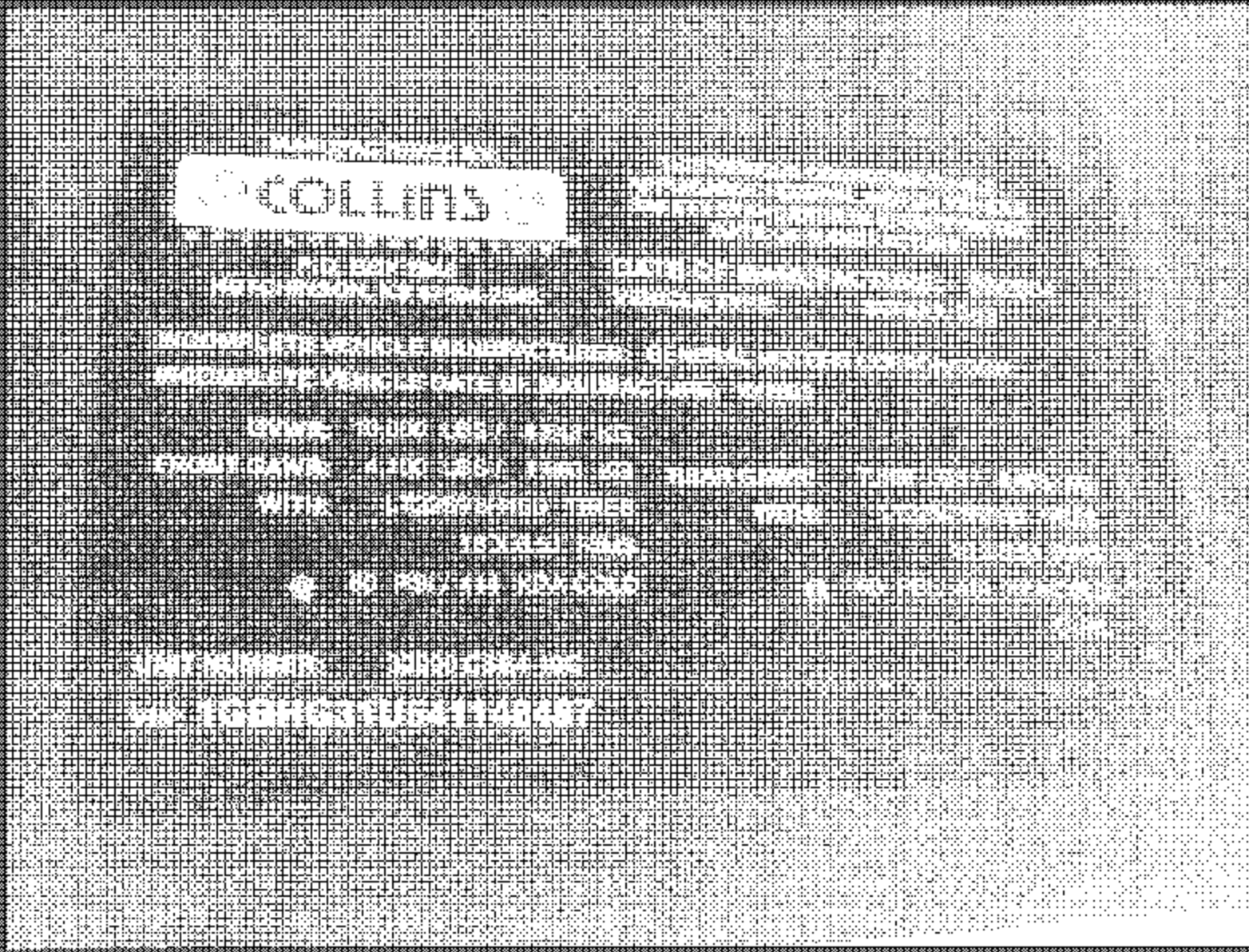
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Three-Quarter Rear View from Left Side of Vehicle

Test Vehicle: 2004 Collins Super Bantam School Bus
Procedure: FMVSS 120

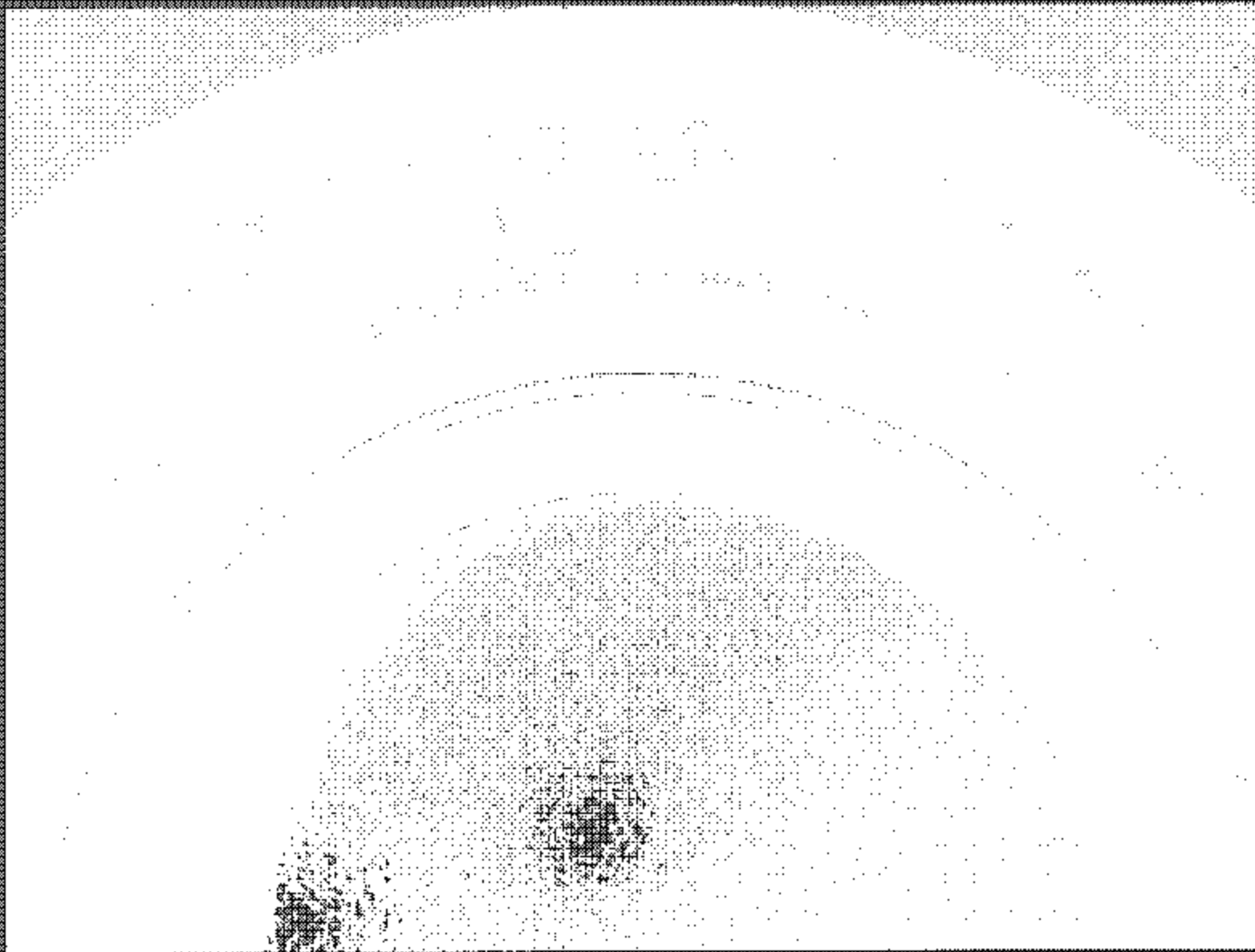
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Vehicle Certification/Tire Information Label

Test Vehicle: 2004 Collins Super Bantam School Bus
Procedure: FMVSS 120

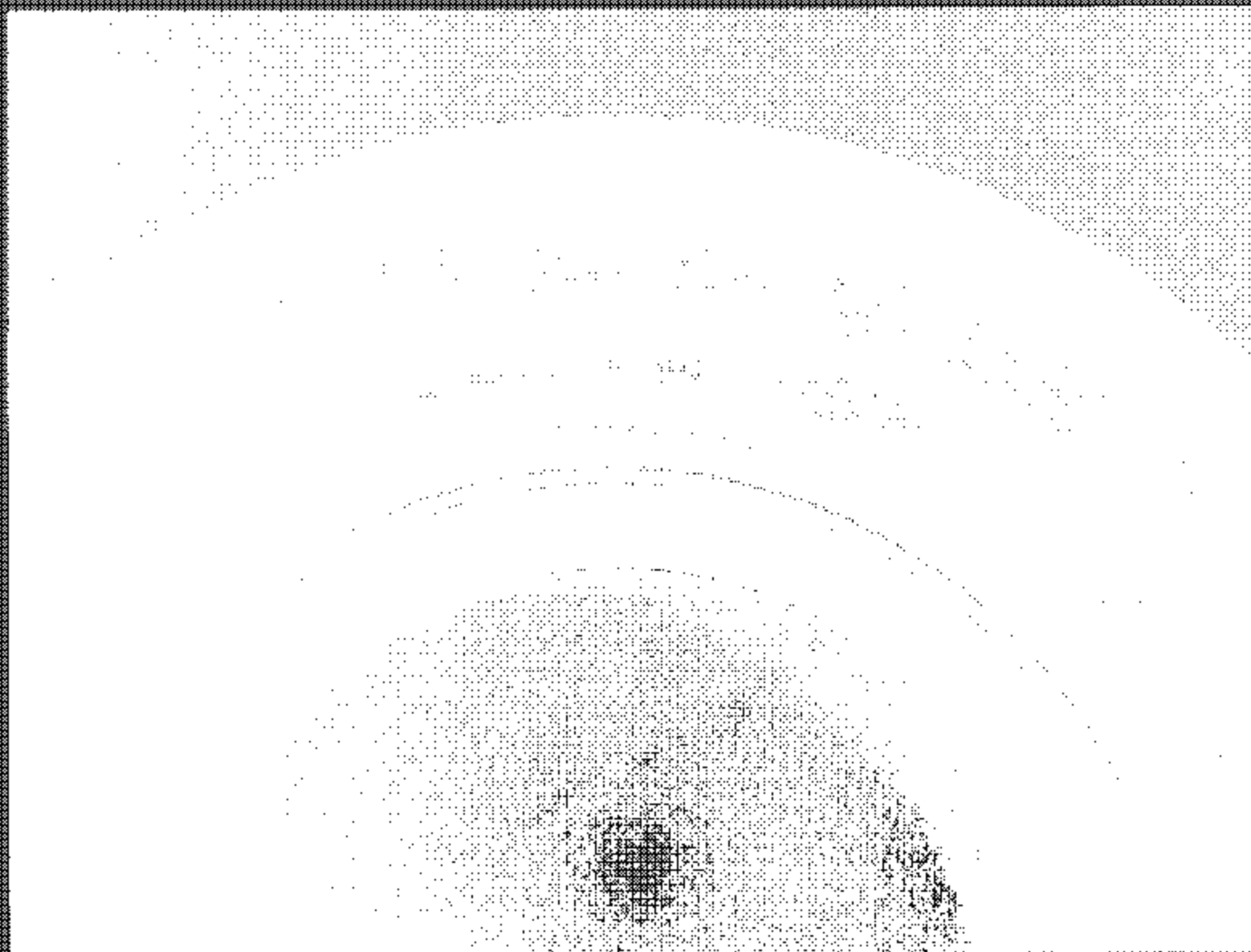
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Right Front Tire Manufacturer

Test Vehicle: 2004 Collins Super Dantam School Bus
Procedure: FMVSS 120

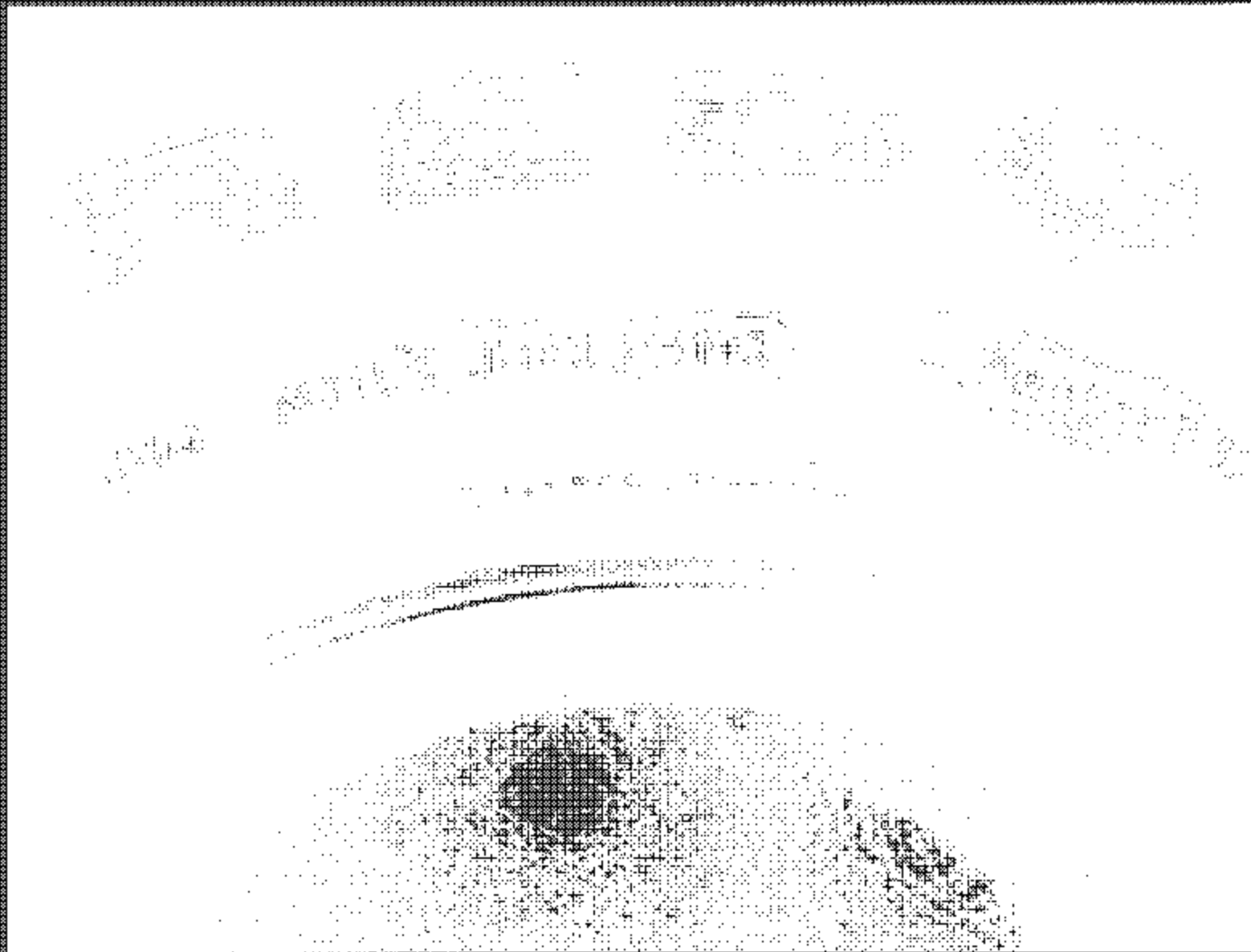
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Right Front Tire Model Number

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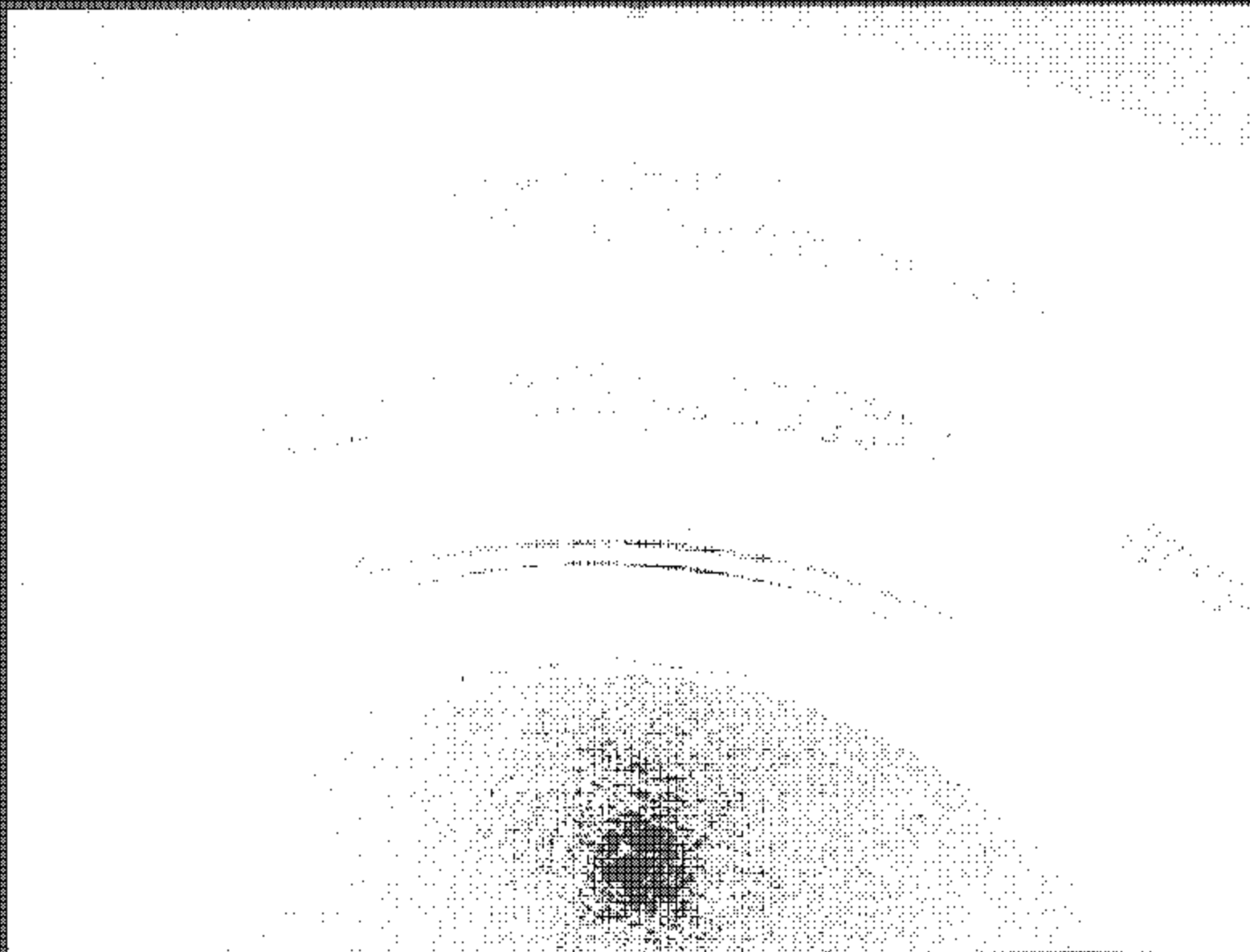


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Right Front Tire DOT Serial Number

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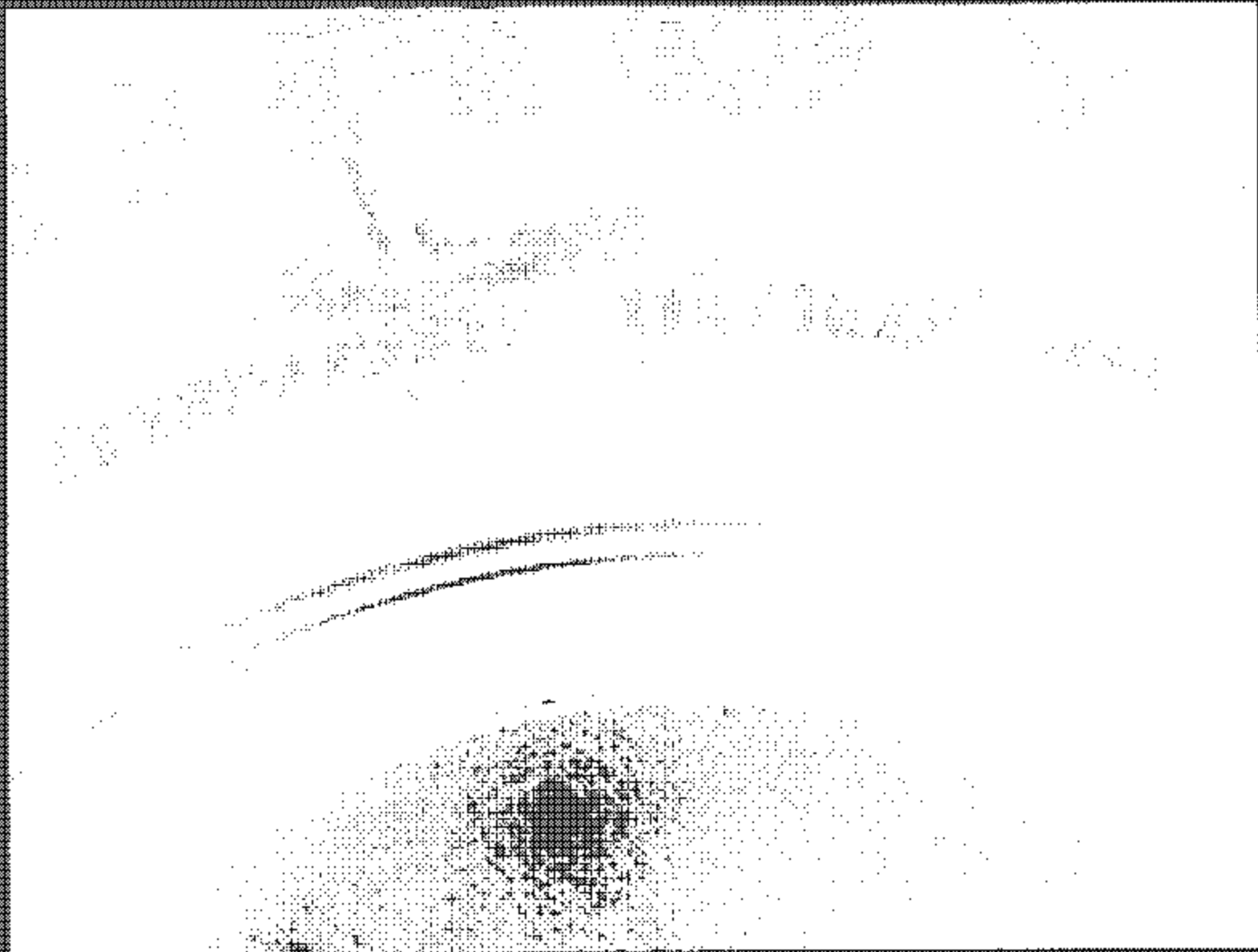
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Right Front Tire Load Ratings

Test Vehicle: 2004 Collins Super Bantam School Bus
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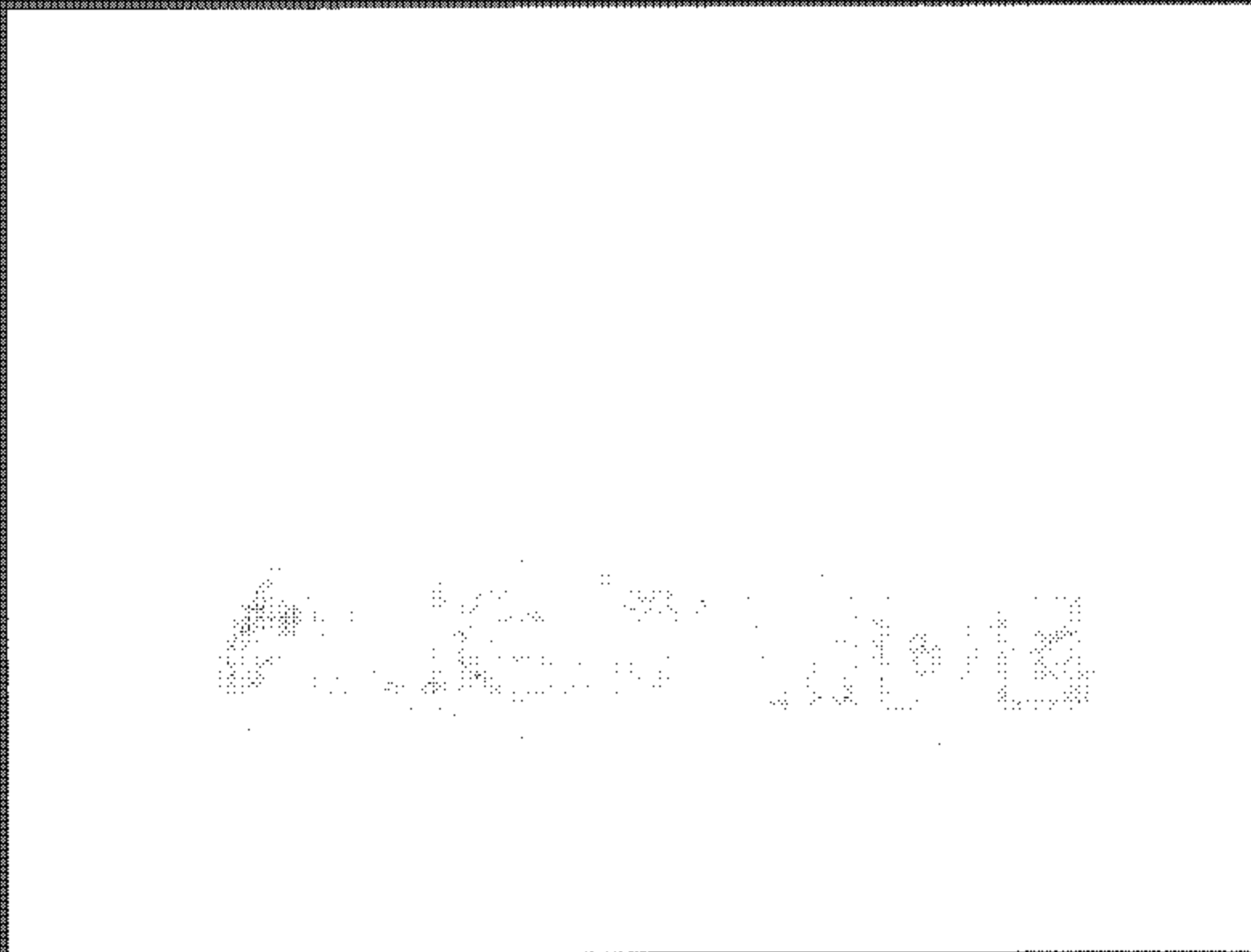
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Right Front Tire Size Designation

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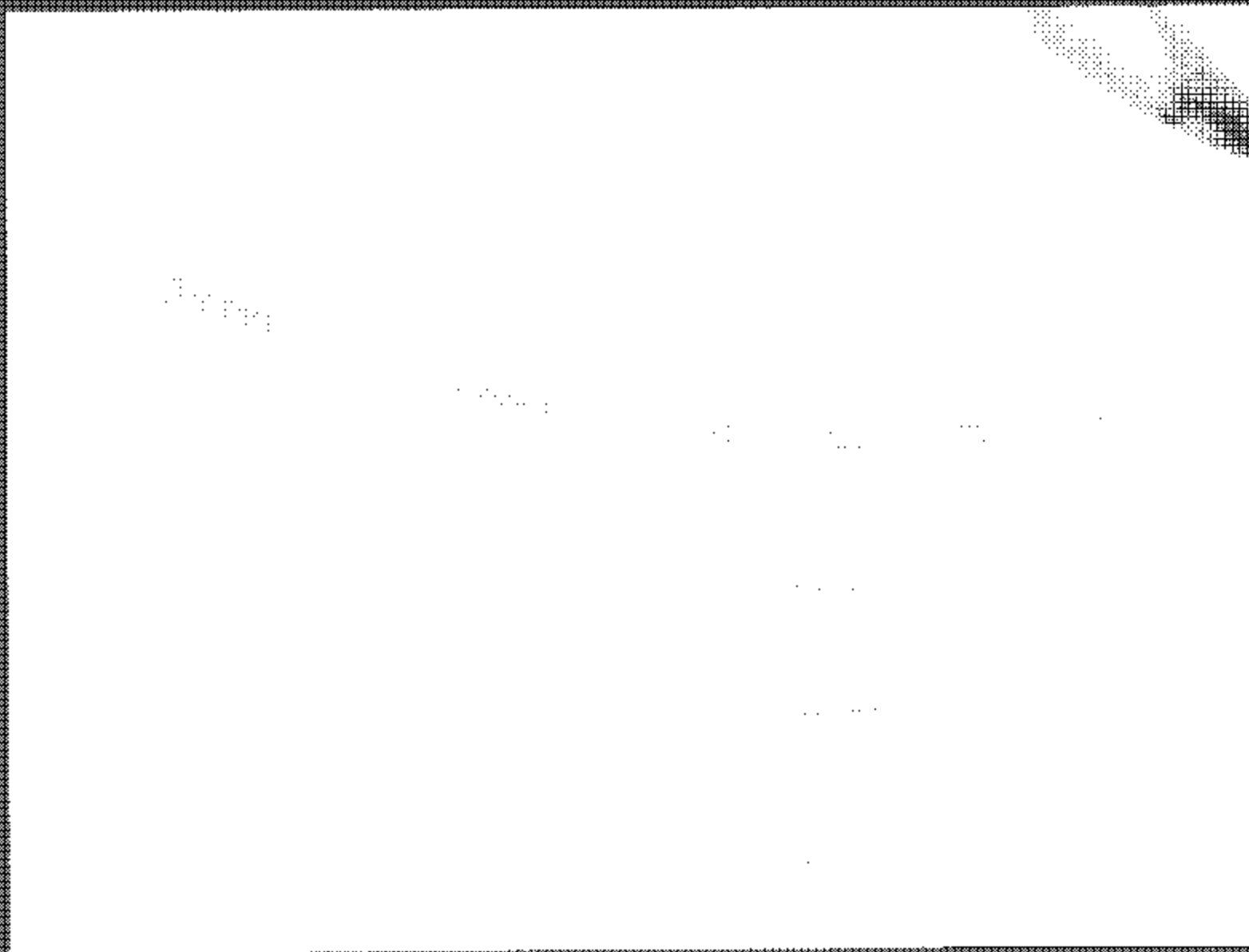
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Right Front Rim Manufacturer

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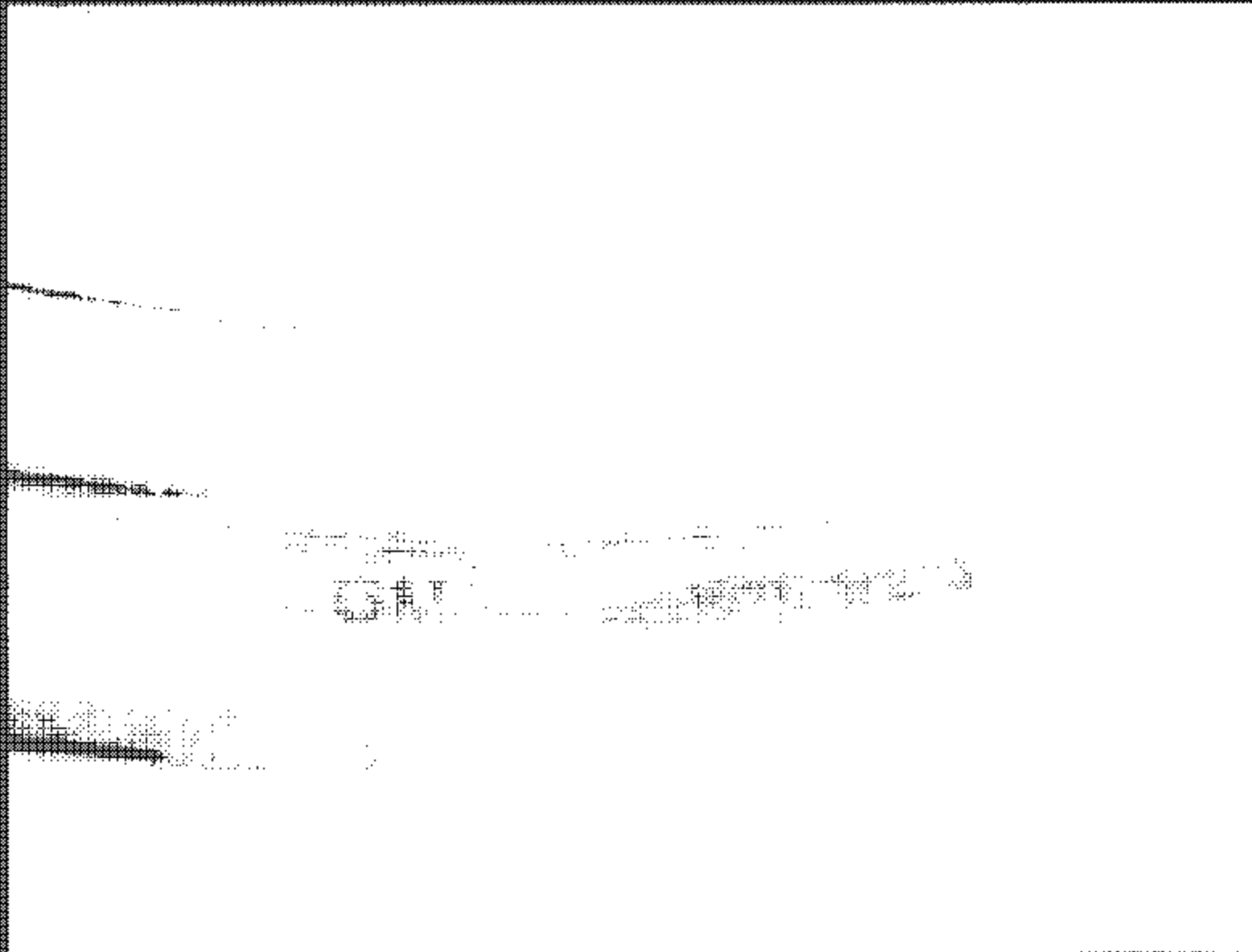


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Right Front Rim DOT, Rim Size, and Source of Published Information, and Date of Manufacture Markings

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Right Front Rim Size

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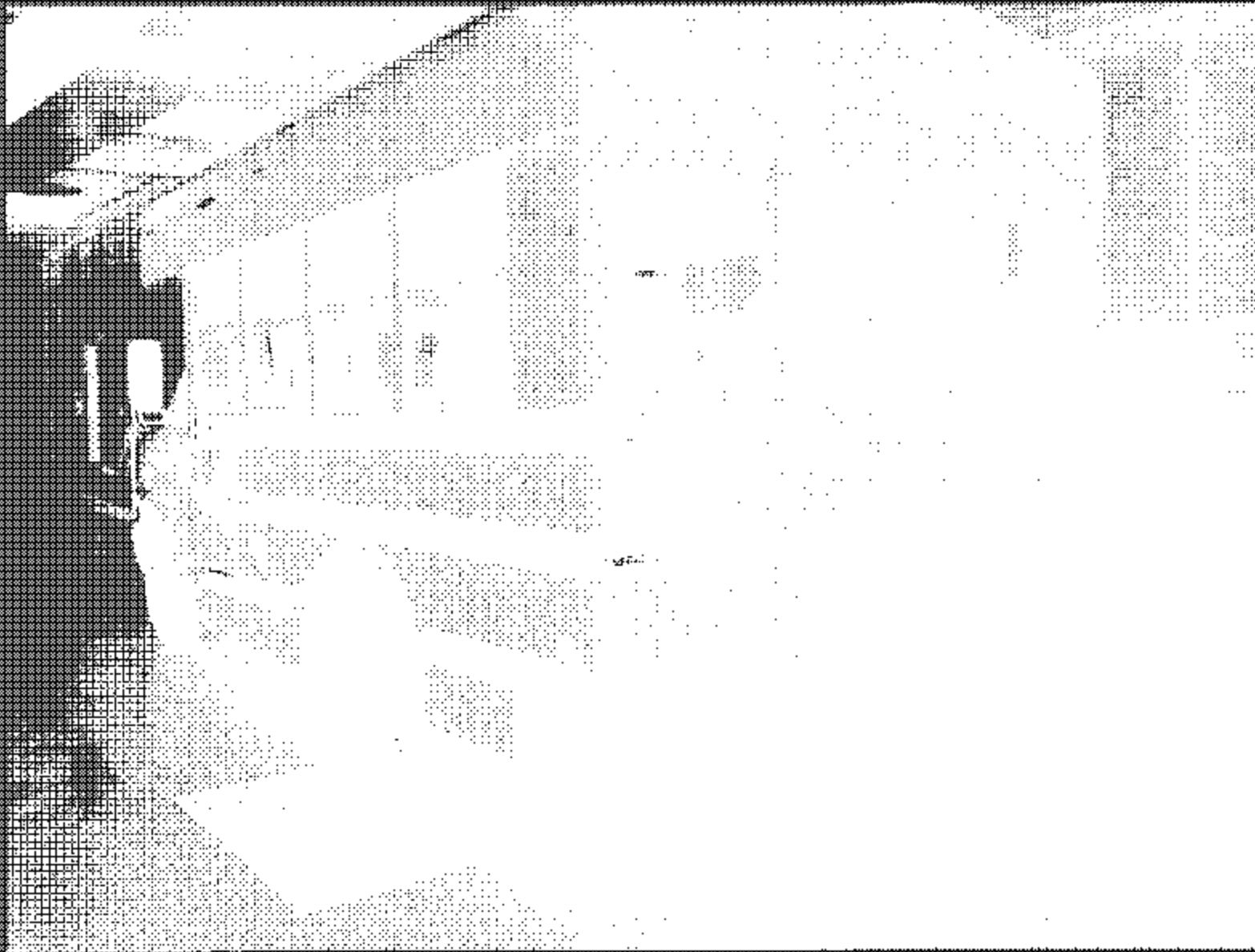
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Vehicle on Scales Doing Measurement of Front Axle Loads

Test Vehicle: 2004 Collins Super Bantam School Bus
Procedure: FMVSS 120

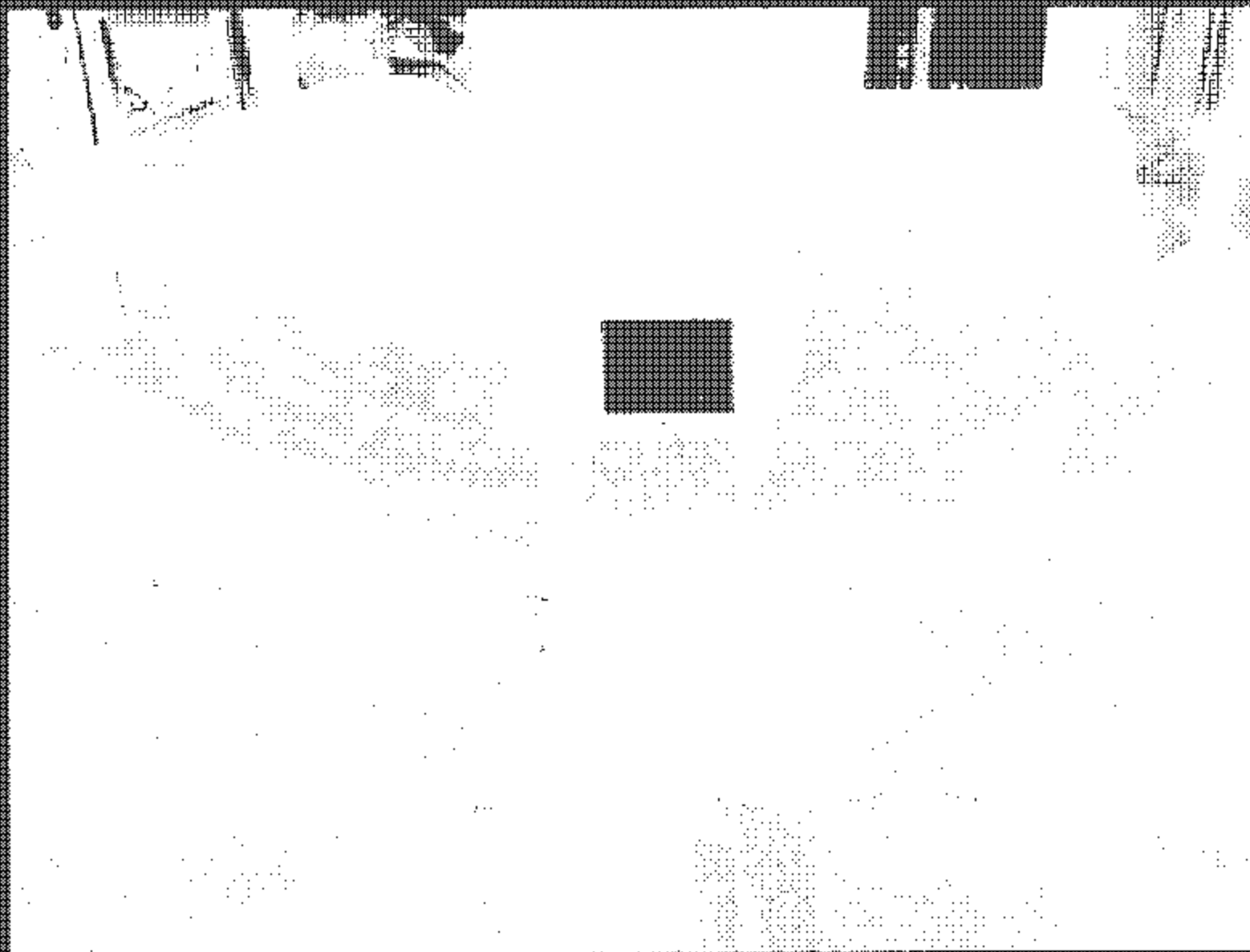
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Vehicle on Scales Doing Measurement of Rear Axle Loads

Test Vehicle: 2004 Collins Super Dantam School Bus
Procedure: FMVSS 120

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Simulated Occupant Loading

Test Vehicle: 2004 Collins Super Bantam School Bus
Procedure: FMVSS 120

NHTSA No: C40901



Simulated Cargo Loading