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Subject: RE: Transit Suit
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Hi Aerostich,

Sorry for the delay in responding to you. Here's a few photos of the accident, attached.

Below is the description of the accident:

A friend and I were riding south along Skyline Blvd, West of San Jose, CA. On weekends there are lots of motorcycles and bicycles on these roads. We moved to the center of the road to pass two bicyclists that were riding in tandem on the right hand side of the road. We were both going only about 40-45 mph. When I was about 10 feet from the cyclists they both turned left in front of me to cross the road even though we were not close to the intersection. There was no room to swerve or lay the bike down, so I hit the brakes hard to avoid running over them. The bike flipped end over end. The last thing I remember was the rear end of the bike coming up and seeing the bicycle wheel about 3 feet in front of me. I landed on my head with the motorcycle coming down on top of me. I came to with EMS people yelling at me to wake up a few minutes later. I was Care Flight-ed to Stanford Medical Center Emergency Room. I found out that I had compression fractures on two vertebra and fractured my left fibula. While I was in the ER a doctor and nurse that also ride motorcycles stopped by to say Hi and see how I was doing and asked what happened. After describing the accident both said that it was amazing that I was alive and not hurt any worse than I was. They asked what kind of equipment I was wearing. I told them an Aerostich leather riding suit with armor, full face helmet, gloves and boots. They both said that's why my physical damage wasn't worse. The police officer that came to fill out the accident report said the same thing. A couple of weeks later I went by the towing company that picked up the bike so I could get my Aerostich transit suit (which was cut off me at the accident scene) and carried off with my wrecked bike. Of course we also discussed the accident and the guy said to me that he see's allot of motorcycle accidents. As I was walking off with my suit he says "make sure you get another one of those, it probably saved your life".

Feel free to edit this down if you need or let me know if you have any questions.

Best Regards,
David

