



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE 10-007
Date Opened: 02/03/2010
Principal Investigator: Sonny Murianka
Subject: Stop Lamps Intermittent
Date Closed: 05/23/2010

MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: FREIGHTLINER LLC
Products: 2005-2011 C2 Thomas Built School buses
Population: 6,466
Problem Description: During a light brake pedal application the rear brake lamps may not illuminate.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	9	296	296**
Crashes/Fires:	0	0	0
Injury Incidents:	0	0	0
Fatality Incidents:	0	0	0

** Count indicates duplicate reports received by ODI and manufacturer.

ACTION / SUMMARY INFORMATION

Action: This investigation has been closed. Daimler (parent company) has filed a safety recall to resolve this matter. Recall number is 10V-177 for school buses and 10V-178 for non-school bus vehicles.

Summary:

This investigation was opened after ODI was contacted by a fleet alleging that in certain situations, such as a "light" brake pedal application during a low speed operation, the brake lamps fail to illuminate on the rear of the bus. ODI confirmed the problem with two fleets.

On April 29, 2010, Daimler filed a defect report concerning this issue. The stop lamps may be intermittent during light brake applications. They are still evaluating the remedial program and will furnish this information to ODI when it is available.

This safety recall resolves the issue raised by this investigation. Hence, this investigation is closed.