

## **Bowker, Kyle (NHTSA)**

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**Cc:** York, Bruce (NHTSA); nasser.zamani@daimler.com; david.cook@daimler.com  
**Subject:** RE: PE12-018 Subject Component

To Mr. David Stanley,

Per our telephone conversation this morning, I have decided to amend our information request letter to DTNA dated July 11, 2012 as follows:

1. Subject components: All air brake reservoir support brackets, including attachment hardware, manufactured for use as original equipment or service replacement on the subject vehicles **identified by part number 12-22981-000**.
2. For requests #2 through #14, you may limit your response to include only those subject vehicles originally equipped with the subject components.
3. Additionally, for requests #2 through #5 only, please provide data pertaining to subject vehicles originally equipped with air brake reservoir support brackets identified by part number 12-14352-000 so that I may have a basis for comparison purposes with the subject components.

The favor of a reply is requested to confirm your receipt of this message and to acknowledge that DTNA understands the request as amended.

Sincerely,  
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Hi Kyle,  
Attached is a rough summary comparing three of our common air tank mounting brackets with the bracket involved in the PE. I didn't spend a lot of time drilling into this, so there are a few disclaimers that go along with it, but the magnitude difference between the brackets is representative and what we expected to see.

Please let me know if you need anything else on this, and if we can confine our response to just the subject bracket.

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Subject PE12-018 Subject Component

This email is to request clarification of the Subject Component listed on the July 11th IR sent to DTNA regarding PE12-018. It is our understanding that ODI is investigating an outside-the-rail perpendicularly-oriented air reservoir mounting system equipped with aluminum support brackets. As written the Subject Component includes "all" styles of air reservoir mounting brackets - of which DTNA seems to have an infinite supply.

Please verify that the subject component of this IR is the air reservoir mounting system identified in Q3-2011 EWR hard copy submissions such as SFYCASCADIA-1111-04-00123.pdf and SFYCASCADIA-1111-04-00129.pdf, and not all of the numerous styles of air reservoir mounting brackets used by DTNA.

I have attached copies of the two EWR reports mentioned above for convenience.

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