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Re: EQ15-003, March 20, 2015 and March 24, 2015, Information Request

Ms. Glass,

This letter is in response to two of your letters, one you sent to Daimler Trucks North America (DTNA) and one you sent to Thomas Built Buses (TBB).

Your March 20, 2015 letter addressed to Andy Jones concerning Cummins ISC07, ISC10 and ISL-G engines installed by Daimler Trucks North America (DTNA) in various vehicle models.

Your March 24, 2015 letter addressed to Matt Bibo concerning Cummins ISC07, ISC10 and ISL-G engines installed by Thomas Built Buses (TBB) in various vehicle models.

Daimler Trucks North America and Thomas Built Buses' Response:

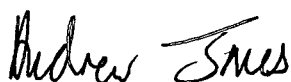
DTNA and TBB have done extensive warranty searches for failures related to the thermostat and vehicle heater hoses. No warranty claims were found to suggest a failure mode similar to the one described in the Blue Bird recalls 14V-313 and 14V-314.

DTNA and TBB have no evidence nor received any reports to suggest that a Cummins ISC07, ISC10 or ISL-G engine, with the thermostat in question and when installed in a DTNA vehicle would lead to a heater hose rupture in the passenger compartment.

In closing, DTNA has found no evidence indicating a defect related to motor vehicle safety exists in the subject DTNA and TBB vehicles.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,



Andy Jones