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Mr. Josh Neff
Chief, Medium & Heavy-Duty Vehicle Defect Division
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)
Office of Defects Investigation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Response to NHTSA's Additional Information Request in in PE21-004

Dear Mr. Neff:

Enclosed is Daimler Truck North America LLC's ("DTNA") response to the March 25, 2024 information request received from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's ("NHTSA") Office of Defects Investigation ("ODI") concerning the subject OEM and aftermarket parts in PE21-004.¹

NHTSA opened PE21-004 on February 25, 2021, as set forth in the agency's Opening Resume. NHTSA previously sent DTNA an IR on March 4, 2021 ("Original IR"), and DTNA responded to the Original IR on June 3, 2021 ("Original IR Response"). On October 13, 2021, the agency issued a supplemental IR to DTNA in the same investigation. DTNA responded to this IR on November 30, 2022.

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On March 25, 2024, the agency asked via e-mail DTNA to provide "with a consolidated list of all subject OEM and aftermarket part numbers along with the []".² On April 16, 2024, DTNA provided its initial responses to the agency. On the

¹ Email from K. Bowker to S. Geser titled "PE21-004 Freightliner Cascadia Engine Electrical Wiring Harness Chafe Part Number Descriptions" (Mar. 25, 2024).

² *Id.*

same day, the agency shared with DTNA an Excel spreadsheet that contains [

]. On April 22, 2024, DTNA presented to the agency its findings. During the meeting, the agency requested DTNA to provide [

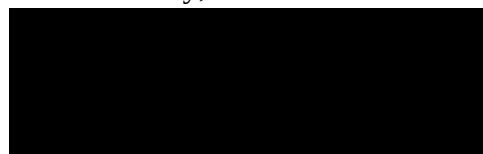
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The agency also requested DTNA to provide a copy of the PowerPoint slide deck presented during the April 22, 2024 meeting.

DTNA hereby provides a modified version of its response to Question 1 of the Original IR and a copy of the PowerPoint slide deck. [

] during the April 22, 2024 meeting.
DTNA also provides a copy of the PowerPoint slide deck presented to the agency on April 22, 2024.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Sam Geser

Manager, Compliance and
Regulatory Affairs
Daimler Truck North
America LLC

Attachments:

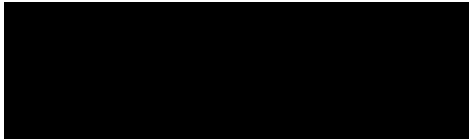
- Certificate of Corporate Responsibility Required by 49 U.S.C. 30166(o)
- Response to Q1 – April 22-2024
- Commodity Harness PowerPoint Slide Deck (April 22, 2024)

Certificate of Corporate Responsibility for Reports

I, Sam Geser, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30166(o), state as follows:

1. I am the Product Defect Investigation Engineering Manager in Daimler Truck North America LC (“DTNA”), and I am authorized by DTNA to execute this certificate on its behalf.
2. I have reviewed the foregoing submission and, based on my knowledge, the submission does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact; or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made not misleading, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made.
3. I directed a good faith inquiry be conducted that would be reasonably calculated to assure that DTNA’s responses are complete and correct, and that documents within the possession, custody and control of DTNA be searched diligently for information responsive to the Information Request to be produced to NHTSA.
4. Based on information provided to me, inquiry has been made of the persons and offices reasonably calculated to have responsive information and documents, and the answers to the Information Request are correct based upon DTNA’s investigation to date.
5. DTNA’s review is ongoing, and DTNA reserves the right to supplement or clarify these responses if appropriate to do so.
6. I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 24th day of April 2024.



Sam Geser
Product Defect Investigation Engineering Manager
Daimler Truck North America LLC