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Re: EQ04-005 Safety Recall Follow-Up Report

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This facsimile is in response to the above-referenced report.

Freightliner agrees with the decision made by TRW that the drag link assemblies ~~may~~ contain a safety defect. We also agree that some of the suspect drag link assemblies could have been installed on Freightliner vehicles.

Please see the attached Defect Information Report, initiating a recall campaign of approximately 275 Western Star trucks and truck-tractors sold in the U.S.

Approximately 551 drag link suspect assemblies were shipped to Freightliner's Portland Truck Manufacturing Plant. Of these, approximately 75 were installed on export vehicles that will be included in the recall campaign. Approximately 250 assemblies were corrected before leaving the truck manufacturing plant.

Please contact me if you have any further questions.

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