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## Copy of Letter to Owner

### Subject: FCCC MT45 Tire Capacity Labels

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act and the Canadian Motor Vehicles Safety Act.

Freightliner LLC, on behalf of its wholly owned subsidiary, Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation, has decided that specific Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation MT45 chassis manufactured between August 10, 2000, and October 22, 2004, fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 120 s5.1.2, "Tire selection and rims for motor vehicles other than passenger cars."

The rear tire Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR) and Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) were miscalculated on certain chassis with single rear tires. The incorrect rating, which is printed on the chassis identification data label, is greater than the rear tire capacity. This is not in compliance with FMVSS No. 120 s5.1.2. and could cause premature tire tread wear or tire failure during normal driving, which could result in a crash.

Enclosed you will find a list of your involved vehicles by vehicle identification number (VIN), two corrected "Incomplete Vehicle Identification Data" labels, one recall completion sticker, one base label on which to place the recall completion sticker, and instructions for attaching the stickers.

If you do not own the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s) which appears on the Recall Notification, please return the notification to the Warranty Campaigns Department with any information you can furnish that will assist us in locating the present owner. If you have leased this vehicle, please make sure this notification is immediately forwarded to the lessee.

If you have questions about this recall, please contact the Warranty Campaigns Department at (800) 547-0712, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time Monday through Friday, e-mail address [WarrantyCampaigns@freightliner.com](mailto:WarrantyCampaigns@freightliner.com), or the Customer Assistance Center at (800) FTL-HELP or (800) STL-HELP, after normal business hours. You may also wish to submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 7th Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590; or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at (888) 327-4236 (TTY: 800-424-9253); or to <http://www.safercar.gov>. If your vehicle is involved in the Canadian portion, you may wish to notify Transport Canada, ASFAD, Place de Ville Tower C, 330 Sparks Street, Ottawa, ON K1A 0N5, or phone (800) 333-0510.

We regret any inconvenience this action may cause but feel certain you understand our interest in motor vehicle safety.

WARRANTY CAMPAIGNS DEPARTMENT

Enclosure